

Destroy 12 Jap Fighters

Dive Bombers Also Hit And Damage Destroyer Or Cruiser In Solomons

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—(AP)—Navy dive bombers striking at Japanese ships and installations at Munda on New Georgia Island in the Solomons, hit and damaged one enemy destroyer or cruiser, the navy reported today, while flying fortresses engaged and destroyed 12 Japanese zero fighters nearby.

The navy said the flying fortresses were attacked by the dozen Japanese fighters near New Georgia Island. The entire force of zeros was shot down in a sharp engagement. One fortress was lost, but its crew was rescued.

One of the dive bombers, a Douglas Dauntless, failed to return from the raid on Munda where the Japanese have been seeking to establish a new air base.

The raid was the seventh on the Munda base. It encountered the first enemy opposition in two days.

The damaging of a destroyer or cruiser brought to 142 the number of Japanese ships announced sunk or damaged in the Solomons. The enemy's plane losses were boosted to 649 by destruction of the 12 zeros.

Text of Communique

The text of the communique, reporting the two actions follows:

"South Pacific (all dates are east longitude)

"1. On December 16:

"A. A number of my dive bombers (Douglas 'Dauntless') attacked Japanese ships and installations in the Munda area of New Georgia Island. An enemy destroyer (or cruiser) was hit and damaged. One 'Dauntless' failed to return.

"B. A group of army 'Flying Fortresses' (Boeing B-17) was intercepted by 12 land-type enemy 'Zeros' in the vicinity of New Georgia Island. The entire intercepting force of 'Zeros' was shot down. One 'Fortress' was lost but the crew was rescued."

No Election On Saturday

SPRINGFIELD, Mo., Dec. 17.—(AP)—Marion Bennett, who hopes to be the Republican nominee for congress in the sixth district special election to be held next month, said today that Governor Donnell had rejected his suggestion that the election be held on a Saturday.

Bennett, son of Phil A. Bennett, whose death early this month created the district vacancy, said he proposed to Governor Donnell that "on account of gas rationing, it might be well to set the election for a Saturday, because most of the farmers made a trip to town on that day, anyway, and it would save them an extra trip.

"The governor said he thought it was a good idea but he didn't want to take advantage of the Democrats. Apparently he thought the farmers are all good Republicans."

Donnell chose Tuesday, January 12.

Soon To Slaughter 1943 Meat Quotas

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—(AP)—Nation-wide meat shortages will be relieved by an order the Office of Price Administration is expected soon to issue allowing packers to begin slaughtering their 1943 quotas December 19 instead of waiting until January 1, Rep. Ward Johnson (R-Calif.) said today.

Johnson told reporters the order was expected to permit packers to slaughter between December 19 and the first of the year ten per cent of the quota allowed them for the first quarter of 1943.

6 SHOPPING DAYS LEFT

Bought your Christmas yet?

Buy Christmas Seals

American Forces Take Buna



Where first all-American force capture Buna, a key Japanese base in New Guinea. Heavy mortar barrage paved the way for American troops into the heavily defended town. Allied airmen also blast a Jap landing party in the Cape Ward Hunt area. (NEA Telephoto).

Holiday Party For Kiwanians, Kiwaniqueens

Program Of Stunts And Eongs Of Christmas

Ninety-two Kiwanians, their wives and guests attended the Sedalia Kiwanis Club's annual Christmas party and entertainment in the Ambassador Room of Bothwell hotel Wednesday night.

The meeting was opened by President George H. Scruton. Those present joined in singing America, following which the Rev. H. U. Campbell gave the invocation.

After a turkey dinner and singing led by Burney Morris, program Chairman Ray Hunt introduced Mrs. Hunt, who with Kiwanian wives took charge of the entertainment, their annual responsibility.

Two stunts were presented in which the following took part: "Gossip in a Beauty Shop," Mrs. William Ward, Mrs. Harry Lindstrom, Mrs. Ed McLaughlin, Mrs. Herbert Seifert, Mrs. George H. Miller with Mrs. Ben Robinson as announcer, and "Hospital Operation Scene," with Mrs. W. F. Keyser, Mrs. H. U. Hunt, Mrs. Riley Cunningham, Mrs. Abe Rosenthal and Rev. H. U. Campbell as the patient.

Reading By Mrs. Keyser

Mrs. W. F. Keyser gave a reading which was a parody on "The Night Before Christmas."

Group singing was led by Mrs. Henry C. Salveter with Mrs. William Monegan at the piano.

Miss Frances Brunkhorst sang: "O, Holy Night," by Adams with Mrs. Salveter as accompanist.

Mrs. Herbert Schrankler, Miss Mary Schrankler, Mrs. Howard Roberts, Mrs. Salveter, Mrs. Hunt and Mrs. Abe Rosenthal sang two numbers: "A Russian Christmas Carol," and "The Birthday of a King," with Mrs. Monegan as accompanist.

Mrs. H. U. Campbell gave an inspiring talk on "For a Day as This."

Mrs. George H. Scruton appeared in a Santa Claus costume to present all with candy box gifts.

Guests: Kiwanian J. J. Donlon, Major and Mrs. John Caldwell, Dr. and Mrs. D. P. Dyer, Dr. and Mrs. Lawrence S. Geiger, Elizabeth McLaughlin, Betty Roberts, Dorothy Cantor and Mary Schrankler.

Has Ticket For Return Trip

POPLAR BLUFF, Mo., Dec. 17.—(AP)—Caroline Hoffa, 9-year-old St. Louis girl who slipped through union station gates and onto a Missouri Pacific train and came here—169 miles distant—without the formality of buying a ticket, was returned to her home today. She had a ticket this time.

Caroline, a student in Washington school, St. Louis, decided while on an errand for her mother, to come here and visit her grandmother, and police helped her locate her relatives.

"I had a nice visit," said Caroline as she boarded a train to return to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Hoffa, (792A North Euclid) St. Louis.

Mussolini Has Cancer

LONDON, Dec. 17.—(AP)—Premier Mussolini of Italy has cancer of the stomach in an advanced stage, an unofficial but usually reliable London source with good connections on the continent said today.

Scrap Tires Usable

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 17.—(AP)—Of 400,000 tires thus far inspected at the North Kansas City scrap rubber pile, inspectors have located 11,000 which are usable, Frank Hodges, head of the Reconstruction Finance Corp. Office, disclosed. An estimated 2,000,000 tires are in the pile.

Less Coffee, Greater Need

Tightening the shipping pinch that has forced a drastic rationing of coffee is the fact that workers during these busy war times demand more stimulant; also, the fact that coffee must be a regular part of the supplies for the armed forces—especially the navy—both at home and abroad.

Army-Navy Contract For Use Of Schools

Plan Program For Special Training Wor Young Men

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—(AP)—The army and navy announced plans today to contract for college facilities at which qualified young men estimated to number 250,000 will be detailed for training in a uniform-and-pay system which gradually is to supplant the college reservist arrangement.

The 250,000 figure, which is an estimate of qualified persons who can not be quoted by name, would represent nearly a third of the nation's presently shrinking male college population.

Training for specialist assignments or as officers will be provided in these institutions, a joint announcement said.

Candidates for the training so far as the army is concerned must come from the enlisted ranks or existing reserves, while youths in civilian life may be enrolled under the navy's phase of the program.

Generally, said War Secretary Stimson and Navy Secretary Knox the program is designed to maintain a steady flow of young men suitable for specialized educational technical training for the army, navy, marine corps and coast guard.

They noted that "the recent amendment to the selective service and training act reducing the draft age to 18 years will eliminate the principal source of men college students" in the colleges' normal way of functioning.

Schools Not Selected

Contracts for the training program, the statement said, will be entered with colleges and universities not yet selected.

It was emphasized, however, that existing agreements with educational institutions for training programs will not be affected. Regulations for selection of the institutions (Please Turn to Page 4, Column 4)

Miss Weller, Acting Secretary of C. of C.

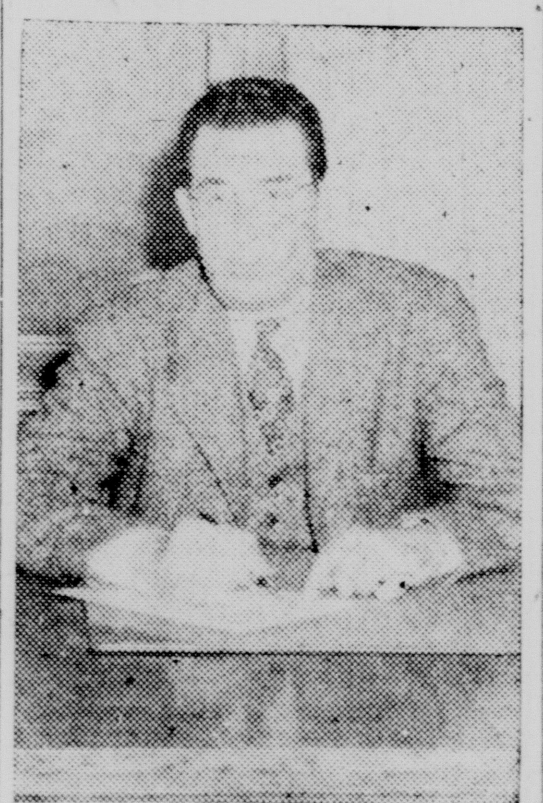
Miss Marie Weller has assumed her duties as acting secretary of the Sedalia Chamber of Commerce, succeeding Mrs. Ellsworth Green who is leaving within the next few days for Fort Morgan, Colorado, to join her husband, Lieutenant Ellsworth Green, adjutant of the army air field at that place.

Lieutenant Green, prior to entering the service, was Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce and he was granted a leave of absence for the duration of the war.

Granddaughter Of Springfield Founder Dies

SPRINGFIELD, Mo., Dec. 17.—(AP)—Mrs. Lucy Owen McCammon, granddaughter of John Polk Campbell, founder of Springfield, died last night at the age of 82 in the oldest house in Springfield. A son, John P. McCammon, was born there.

New Resident



John J. Donlon, recently appointed manager of the Sedalia district, Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, to succeed Riley G. Cunningham, who is retiring. He comes to Sedalia from Kansas City, Kas. Mr. and Mrs. Donlon have three children, the oldest an aviation cadet in the U. S. Army.

Condemn Axis Treatment Of The Jews

U. S. And Other Nations Pledge Retributions

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—(AP)—The United States today joined other United Nations governments in condemning Germany's "bestial policy of cold-blooded extermination" of the Jews and in pledging that those responsible "shall not escape retribution."

In announcing the move the State Department said reports from Europe indicated that German authorities, passing beyond the stage of ordinary persecution, "are now carrying out effect Hitler's oft repeated intention to exterminate the Jewish people in Europe."

The announcement described Poland as "the principal Nazi slaughter house," where ghettos established by the Germans now are being systematically emptied of all Jews except a few skilled workers valuable to the war industries. It added:

"None of those taken away are ever heard of again. The able-bodied are slowly worked to death in labor camps. The infirm are left to die of exposure and starvation or are deliberately massacred in mass executions. The number of victims of these bloody cruelties is reckoned in the many hundreds of thousands of entirely innocent men, women and children."

Associates In Move

Associated with the United States in the joint action were the Belgian, Czechoslovak, Greek, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Norwegian, Polish, United Kingdom and Yugoslav governments and the French National (Fighting French) Committee.

Attention recently was called to the German extermination campaign by Rabbi Stephen M. Wise, who issued a statement charging that the Germans not only systematically slaughtered Jews but utilized the corpses in the manufacture of soaps, fats and other products.

LONDON, Dec. 17.—(AP)—Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden read to the House of Commons today the allied declaration condemning treatment of Jews in axis-dominated countries, and Commons stood briefly in silence in a gesture of protest to what one member called "this disgusting barbarism."

There was deep silence in the hall when Baron De Rothschild voiced gratitude that such an announcement had been made by the allied nations.

British Comment On Darlan

LONDON, Dec. 17.—(AP)—Admiral Jean Darlan's statement in North Africa disavowing personal ambitions as his motive for joining the allies brought mixed reactions today from the British.

Editorial comment on the whole was cool but the Times said his disavowal of personal ambitions was the liberation of France was welcome news.

The newspaper expressed the hope that patriotism would "dictate early withdrawal of the leader who stands in the way of wider union of Frenchmen."

The Daily Telegraph said:

"For the sake of future Franco-British relations we must not only be sure now that Darlan's measures are more than paper but we must also note that he has ruled himself out of office whenever France has a chance to settle her own affairs."

Emanuel Shinwell, outspoken Laborite member of parliament and bitter critic of collaboration with the admiral, said "Darlan must be considered only in terms of the services he can render. When we succeed in North Africa we can do with Darlan as we please."

A Fighting French spokesman asserted Darlan's "whole career has proved that his only motives are personal motives."

The British admiralty meanwhile announced that RAF photographs of Toulon harbor showed "the thoroughness with which French seamen carried out their bitter task" of scuttling the French fleet there.

They said 44 vessels, including the battleships Strasbourg and Provence, were partially submerged and only 15 vessels of various types, including two cruisers, apparently were undamaged but perhaps damaged internally.

U. S. Takes Over Hospitals

LONDON, Dec. 17.—(AP)—Health Minister Ernest Brown announced today that his ministry had handed over five new hospitals, fully equipped to the United States Army medical services in Britain. Eight hospitals have been placed at the disposal of the Canadian forces, he said.

In African Battle



Major Arthur Salisbury, 26-year-old Sedalia, who is with the U. S. Forces following Rommel's retreating armies, in North Africa. The above picture was received here from Africa by his uncle, Joseph Salisbury, of the Terry hotel. "Buck" as the young major is known, was reared and completed grade and high school here.

Rommel's Duty To Sacrifice And Gain Time

Flight Going According To Plans, Berlin Reports

BY DEWITT FACKENZIE

CAIRO, Dec. 16.—(Delayed)—Nazi Marshal Rommel's tactics in the face of Gen. Sir Bernard L. Montgomery's powerful new attack fit perfectly with the idea advanced in this column before the drive started that Hitler has assigned him to do a holding operation without adequate resources while the fuhrer realigns his continental defenses to meet the widespread eruption of allied initiative.

Unless the all highest's infallible intuition envisages something which is not apparent to ordinary mortals he can have small expectation of being able to keep a foothold in northern Africa in view of the allied strength massing against him.

Thus, Rommel's task is to sacrifice his army and himself in an effort to buy time for his master. Indications are that Rommel had intended to make a stand in his strong positions at El Agheila. His defenses there had been long prepared to meet contingencies in previous swings of fortune in the desert.

Allies Move Swiftly

However, Montgomery has moved so swiftly and handled his striking power with such skill that the Nazi captain was forced either to retreat or to run the grave risk of complete annihilation.

Thus we see Rommel retiring again and, as he pulls back, leaving a trail of mines to block the pursuers.

Now, the use of mines is very common and their normal employment would cause no surprise. However, the vast numbers which the marshal sowed indicate that his preparations were made well in advance and contemplated the likelihood of retreat.

Nazi mine-sowing in the withdrawal from El Agheila naturally

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Missouri Postmasters Nominated By Roosevelt

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—(AP)—President Roosevelt has nominated these Missouri Postmasters: Brashear, Foster R. Moore; Camdenton, Boyd W. Harwood, Jr.; Cardwell, Rose Virginia Gorham; Elmer, W. Donald Dale; Liberty, Walter Manley; New-Town, Andrew Earl Duley; Palmyra, Donald H. Sokey; Powersville, Chalmers R. Ethington; Robertson, Walter M. Horton; Sarsco, Raimon L. Coates.

Cameron Resident Dies

CAMERON, Mo., Dec. 17.—(AP)—Frank Stokes, 76, died Wednesday night at the home of a daughter in Fairfield, Ia. He had lived in Cameron 37 years.

The Weather

Missouri — Falling temperatures this afternoon and tonight; much colder tonight; lowest temperature tonight 10 to 15 degrees extreme north and 15 to 20 central and south, increasing winds reaching 35 miles per hour.

Lake of Ozarks 58.6 ft. Fall

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Sunrise 8:27 a. m. Sunset 5:52 p. m.

Full moon December 23, last quarter moon December 30.

Temperature: 7 a. m., 33 degrees; 3 p. m., 36 degrees.

Axis Army In Libya Divided, Trapped By Allied Forces

The War News

Streamlined

MOSCOW, Dec. 17.—(AP)—The Moscow radio broadcast today a Tass dispatch, dated "At The Italian Front," which said that Premier Mussolini had dismissed General Vittorio Ambrosio, chief of staff of the Italian army, and Gen. Ettore Bastico, fascist commander in Libya.

(There has been no confirmation from any other source.)

The dispatch said Mussolini acted on the advice of German militarists to free his top command of generals who, the Nazis charged, were under the sway of "unprincipled pacifism."

LONDON, Dec. 17.—(AP)—Four enemy raiders bombed and machine gunned a village in southwest England today, causing considerable damage to buildings and seriously injuring one woman.

MOSCOW, Dec. 17.—(AP)—After a week of comparative indecision, the broad course of warfare on the frozen eastern front appeared to be swinging definitely back in favor of the Red army today as the Soviets announced the capture of five more German strong points in the Rzhev sector on the central front and the bloody repulse of a heavy Nazi counter-drive southwest of Stalingrad.

BERLIN (From German Broadcasts), Dec. 17.—(AP)—German military authorities declared today that Soviet troops encircled at Torpels, on the northwest front near Velikie Luki, had been wiped out with 15,000 slain and 4,217 captured.

The Russians were declared to have lost 542 tanks and armored cars, 447 field guns, more than 1,000 trucks and other war materiel in the Torpels area, 130 miles from the Latvian frontier.

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN AUSTRALIA, Dec. 17.—(AP)—On land and in the air allied forces strove today to complete domination of the Buna area where Emperor Hirohito's men faithfully obeyed his mandate to hold the New Guinea beach head to the last man.

"Our pressure on the enemy is slowly increasing," the headquarters communique said succinctly.

Assistant Attorney General Take New Position

JEFFERSON CITY, Dec. 17.—(AP)—Russell Stone, assistant attorney general who has handled most of the state's tax cases for several years, will resign Jan. 1, to become a lawyer for Associated Industries of Missouri.

Attorney General Roy McKittrick said Stone would be replaced by Leo Politt who will complete a term as Franklin county probate judge this month.

Faces Murder Charge

SPRINGFIELD, Mo., Dec. 17.—(AP)—Sylvester Fields, 54-year-old butcher, today faced a second degree murder charge, following the death of Herbert McMahan, 31-year-old U. S. Medical Center employee.

Fields was accused of fatally stabbing McMahan during an argument over a hog which McMahan had taken for butchering to a slaughtering house where fields was employed.

Bothwell Hospital Notes

Mrs. G. E. Blair, 1105 West Eleventh street, Mrs. James Alderman, Lincoln, Mrs. Richard Bauer, Stover, and Mrs. E. W. Biery, 515 East Fourteenth street, admitted for surgery.

Mrs. K. L. Brubaker, and infant son, Dean apartments, Mrs. Frank Harrigan, 505 East Fourth street and infant son, Mrs. Jess Brownfield, Green Ridge, Route 2, dismissed.

Mrs. L. E. Staples, 501 West Second street admitted for medical treatment.

Associated Training Union Study Course

On Thursday and Friday, at 7:30 p. m. an Associational Training Union Study Course will be held at the First Baptist church 6th and Lamine. This study course is for every officer of every department, all general officers and all associational officers, all pastors of all churches in the association. Rev. J. M. Crowe, State Training Union secretary will conduct the study course.

Prepare For Big Battle In Tunisia As Abating Rains End Mud Situation

LONDON, Dec. 17.—The Axis' fleeing columns in Libya have been cut in two and part of them, trapped between British forces, have suffered heavy casualties in an effort to break out, the British announced today.

This stroke in the hot chase across the desert was achieved yesterday, the Cairo communique disclosed, when Britain's Eighth Army reached Wadi Matratin, about 65 miles west of El Agheila, and cut inland to the south across Nazi Field Marshal Rommel's retreat line.

Some armored formations were bottled up "and continue to be severely mauled" in an attempt to break out which already has caused them heavy losses, the communique added.

Rommel, who backed out of his defensible line at El Agheila without a fight, apparently to preserve his remnants as far as possible, thus may have been dealt a crippling blow to any hopes of getting a strong force safely into Tripoli for eventual union with the axis armies in Tunisia.

There was no immediate estimate of the number of men and vehicles at the Eighth Army's mercy, but observers said they formed a large Nazi force, intended by Rommel for rearguard fighting, and were being methodically mopped up.

Estimate 60,000 Troops

Before Rommel withdrew from El Agheila, his strength was estimated at 50,000 to 60,000 troops and an unknown number of tanks. Most of this army is believed to have retreated well west of the Wadi Matratin, beyond the British wedge.

Besides bringing at least part of the enemy to battle, military commentators in London said, the British now have faced him with the dilemma of leaving his rear forces uncovered or of pulling back more tanks from the line of retreat.

The splitting of his forces also has spoiled the German propaganda that he was withdrawing unmolested, they said, and there is now overwhelming evidence that he is beaten and in full flight.

On the opposite side of the axis' narrowing last foothold on the south shore of the Mediterranean, ground forces in Tunisia stirred into new action and the allies appeared to be preparing for a new drive as abating rains promised an end to the mud which has bogged down both sides.

Falling Back From Junction

The Morocco radio, saying it quoted authoritative sources, reported that axis forces already were falling back from the region of Medjez-El-Bab, important highway junction at the gateway (Please Turn to Page 4, Column 2)

Concert Tonight At High School

Voice pupils of the Sedalia public schools, both high and grade schools, will be presented in a concert, free to the public, at the Smith-Cotton high school, beginning at 8 o'clock tonight. Their director is Burney Morris.

The procession, participated in by 200 grade school pupils and 150 from the high school, will be very impressive. All will wear white surplices, and seventy-five girls of the high school wearing long black robes under them, and carrying lighted candles. They will sing, "Come All Ye Faithful."

The finale will be "Silent Night," when the candles will again be re-lighted.

Senator Miller Not Candidate For Congress

George H. Miller, of this city, state senator, frequently spoken of as a possible candidate for the Republican nomination for congressman, to succeed the late Phil Bennett, is not a candidate, he stated today.

"I believe I can be of greater service, at the present time, to the people of the 6th congressional district, and to the state of Missouri, as a member of the State Senate, than a member of the National Congress," he told a Democrat reporter this afternoon.

"I am not a candidate for congress in the 6th congressional district."

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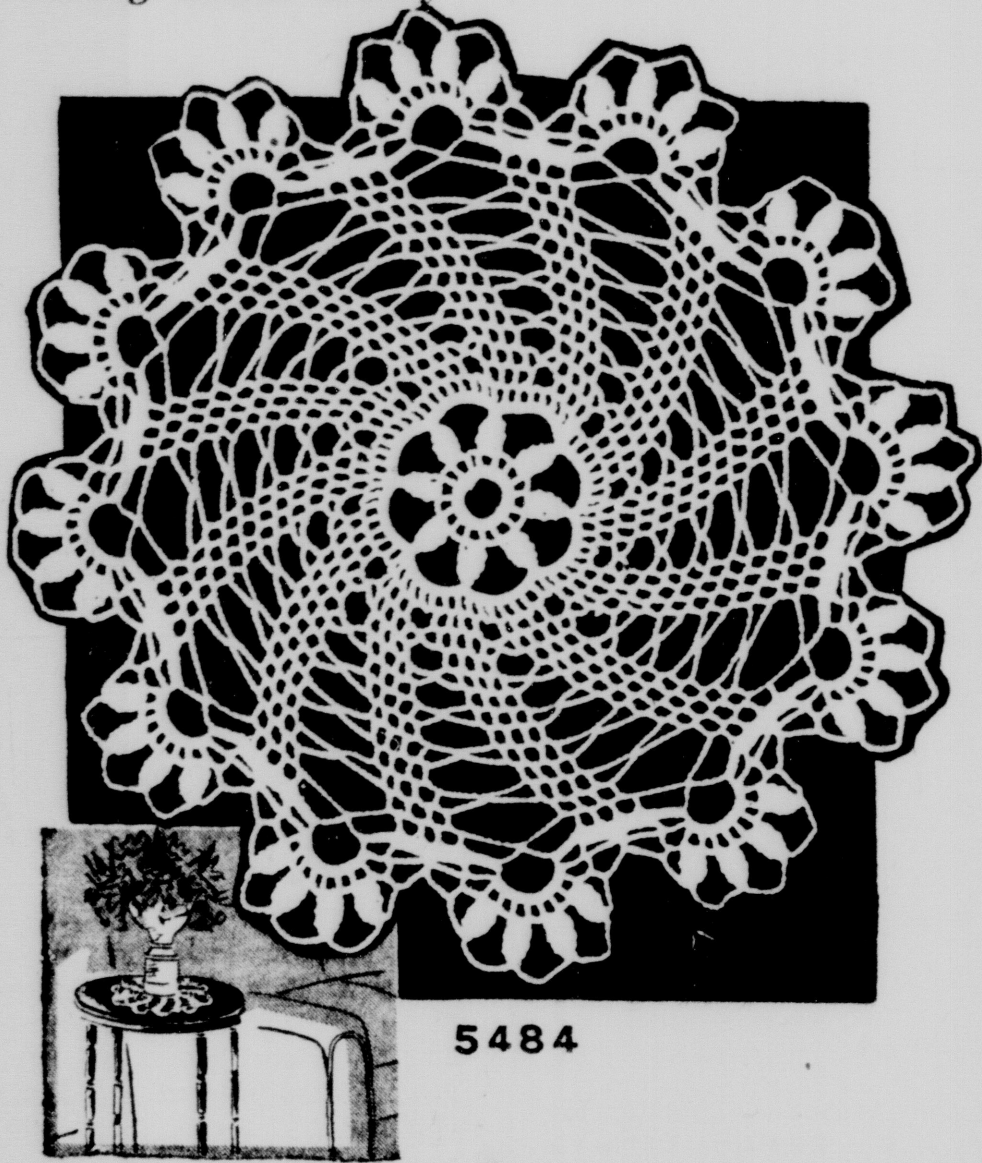
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gene Holman, considered, especially liberal.

On the same day that news stories related that Standard's synthetic rubber factories might be late, President William Farish died. Farish came to the top through the Humble Oil Co., part of the Standard group. Ross Sterling, then president of Humble, was a partner of Jesse Jones in various enterprises, and Farish grew up under them. Many officials of the Standard patent pool under Farish occupied key positions in the RFC's Rubber Reserve and were criticized in congress for influencing the rubber contracts.

Capital Chaff

Ambassador William Phillips, new envoy to India, is an old Harvard friend of FDR, which is one reason for his appointment. Col. Donovan, for whom Phillips worked in London, didn't find the saute, beautifully groomed diplo-

mat much help in stirring up revolution in occupied countries, was about to let him out. So the president sent him to India. . . . State department officials are trying to solve the mystery of the disappearance of the Bey of Tunis, Sidi Moncef-Pacha, and also the French resident general of Tunis bearded Admiral Esteve. As an aftermath of the Boston fire, Washington's Stage Door Canteen has limited its attendance to 500 men men at one time, and has cut a door through the wall for an extra fire exit.

AFL Refuses

The appearance of Economic Stabilizer Jimmy Byrnes in AFL-CIO "unity" negotiations was a last minute maneuver for FDR to force a peaceful merger of the rival labor groups. However, the AFL already had flown the cote.

Neither side, especially AFL leaders, entertained any practical

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notions about getting together, despite the highflown flag waving statements about labor peace by both Bill Green and Phil Murray at their respective conventions this year.

A merger sounds all right in theory. But in practice it would mean the house cleaning of too many union tycoons in cushy jobs. So the most that could be hoped for when the "unity" negotiators sat down together was what happened — a "jurisdictional truce" for the duration.

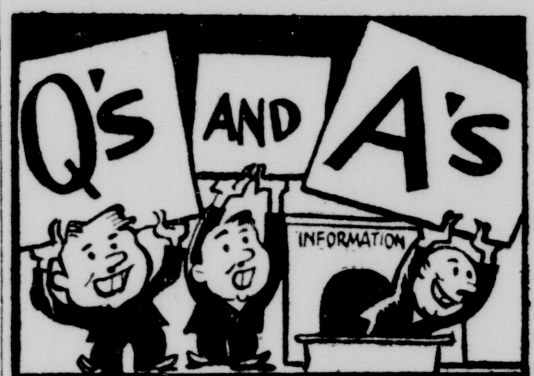
But Byrnes carried the ball as far as he could. He told the AFL and CIO negotiators that the president "earnestly desired" a reconciliation of labor to end union disputes in war plants and expedite production. A unified labor movement in America, he also said, would have a great effect on the rest of the world.

Byrnes followed this persuasive argument with two propositions: (1) That the AFL and CIO reunite immediately, with Green and Murray as "co-presidents," and work out jurisdictional problems later at a joint convention at which a single president and executive council would be chosen. (2) That the two organizations reunite with Green and Murray as co-heads for the duration; and that an arbitrator, or referee, superseding both Green and Murray be named by the president to rule on jurisdictional squabbles.

Byrnes proposed John R. Steel-

man, chief of the U. S. Conciliation Service, as the AFL-CIO arbitrator. Steelman has chalked up an excellent record in preventing war strikes and is popular with both labor groups. However, though the CIO was ready to accept either of Byrnes' proposals, the AFL, reneged, contending that an actual merger might cause more unrest in the labor movement than now exists.

In the end, Byrnes had to accept the "jurisdictional truce" compromise.



Q—Can restaurants legally send out coffee to be drunk off the premises?

A—Yes, with or without food. Q—Why is it especially fitting that the King of Italy should go to Turin after that manufacturing city was blasted by RAF bombers?

A—The House of Savoy, of which King Victor Emmanuel is the present head, had its ancient seat at Turin in the district of Piedmont long before it reigned over a united Italy.

Q—Can you give the full names of the government wartime agencies identified by these initials—WPB, WMC, WPA?

A—War Production Board, War Manpower Commission, Work Projects Administration.

Q—What do correspondents mean when they say London had a "pea soup" fog?

A—A fog so thick that it completely obliterates all vision of things even three feet away, often compelling suspension of traffic.

Q—What is the highest daily double payoff on record?

A—Joy Bet-Merry Caroline combination paid \$10,772.40 for \$2 at Washington Park in 1939.

Masonic Notice

Sedalia Council No. 42, R. and S. M., will meet in stated assembly Thursday evening, December 17, at 7:30 o'clock. Election of officers for the ensuing year. Visiting members invited to attend.

J. R. Smetana, S. M.
J. P. Hurtt, recorder.

The Unofficial Executioner



Looking Backward

Forty Years Ago

The Salvation Army will give a free basket dinner to the poor of the city on Christmas day.

The Missouri and Kansas (Bell) Telephone company has installed 20 telephones in LaMonte, and the new exchange there is being completed and will be open for business by the first of next week. On next Thursday the people of that enterprising town will call their neighbors up by 'phone and shout, "Merry Christmas."

John D. Murray, owner of a gold mine in the northeast part of Washoe county, Nevada, is in the city visiting old time friends. Mr. Murray is visiting friends and relatives in LaMonte, which place he left 25 years ago to seek his fortune. He struck it rich, and is now developing a mine of free milling ore.

A strange disease has broken out among the cattle of William Higgins, a well known farmer living six miles south of the city. On Tuesday he lost three cows by the disease, and on Wednesday a valuable heifer died.

Masonic Notice

Granite Lodge No. 272, A. F. & A. M. will meet in regular communication Friday, December 18, at 7:30 p. m., Seventh and Osage avenue. Election of officers and other important business. All Master Masons are invited to attend. Visiting members welcome. H. C. O'Neill, W. M. J. R. Smetana, secretary.

Give a subscription to the Democrat or Capital this Christmas!

The Edge of Darkness

By William Woods

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FIGHT!

CHAPTER XXV

THAT night, after a long and dangerous Odyssey, Trygve Mortensen came home to his father's house. He had fled up the coast from Oslo, hiding by day in the forests and little inlets, and night after night pounding across the wind in a small boat just off shore.

The old man was asleep, and woke in a fright to see the dark figure standing in the door.

"It's I," said Trygve. "It's I, father."

Mortensen, still half dazed, stumbled across the floor to take his son by the arm. "Trygve," he said, "Trygve, it is really you."

His wife sat up and struck a match to the lamp. "Who?" she cried. "Who?"

"It's Trygve."

Mortensen kept feeling his son's arms and shoulders, looking up at the lean face, the hard and bitter mouth. "How you have changed," he said. "What a man you are. Did they set you free?"

"No," Trygve said, and turned away with his hands in his pockets.

Trygve sat down, cap on his knees. "I came home to fight."

The old man, trembling with eagerness, asked him question after question, but the strange boy, who had grown into a man since his father had last seen him, did not even try to answer them all.

His mother gave him, munching at black bread with slow, regular movements of his bony jaws, and gazing around in silent contemplation at the beams and walls and windows he had known since he was a child.

"In the morning," he said, "I want to talk with Gunnar Broge."

"But you don't know the news," his father cried. "They've taken him prisoner. He's a hostage."

"I see," the boy said, and ate a while longer. "Is my bed still here?"

"Of course. Of course. Wife, get the coat and blanket for Trygve. He wants to go to sleep."

Trygve stood up. "So Gunnar is a hostage. Are there others?"

Katja stole a pistol from a soldier's room.

At about 11 that night she walked down the hall, into the captain's cubicle, and fired at him twice, sending one bullet into the wall, the other into his right elbow. The corridor was thrown into a turmoil by the shots. Men came tumbling out of their beds and down the hall, half dressed. When the guard broke in and seized her, she was standing quietly, looking down at the captain, with the pistol at her side.

They locked her in the cellar and went to fetch the doctor. He extracted the bullet, bound up the wound, and prescribed a quarter of a grain of morphine out of the army stores. Konig lay propped on the bed, obviously in great pain. He had remained utterly motionless while the doctor was probing. When Stensgard was done, though, he sent for Lieutenant Bock.

"Firing squad in the morning," he said, "as soon as it is light enough to see."

Katja sat all night on the damp earth of the cellar, at last empty of any feeling except tiredness. She was not sorry. As a matter of fact, everything that had happened seemed as inevitable as the tide. She even took it for predestined that the captain should have lived.

The hostages were in the next room to her, talking in low voices. No more than 20 feet away in what had used to be a wine cellar.

She smelled the early morning cold at the windows while it was still dark, and suddenly she was afraid. Next door in the wine cellar she heard the men moving about . . . like beasts in their stalls. She started shivering as though her body had become chilled during the night, and all at once felt such self-pity the tears started to her eyes. How brave of her it would be not to seem afraid.

But when the soldiers came down the stairs and she stood up to meet them her very heart grew numb. Her knees shook and she thought for a moment she would be unable to stand.

Though it was very early, the whole village had heard why Stensgard had been sent for to the inn, and that Konig intended to make an example of the girl by having her executed in the public square. So when the troops lined up in front of the church railing and at 10 o'clock their prisoner came down the hill in the middle of a squad of soldiers, not one townsman was to be seen on the square or in any of the side streets.

They bound her to the railing to keep her from falling. The lieu-

tenant tied a handkerchief across her eyes, but the corners slipped down and covered her mouth and chin as well. Her dress fluttered about her knees in a light wind. Then the low orders rang out. The squad raised their rifles, steadied, fired, and she hung limp, propped on crooked legs against the railing.

She hung on the railing all that day, dress fluttering in the wind, snow drifting up over her ankles. At nightfall, Konig sent down a detail to bury her. The body was frozen, shoulders hunched up where the rope had held them, knees stiff and unable to be straightened. The lips were parted and hard as wood. One trooper, prying open the mouth, found a gold tooth at the back of the jaw, and hacked it out with a chisel before they dropped her into the coffin.

WHEN Trygve came into the pastor's house where they were meeting, no one but Gerd recognized him. It was when he saw her that he smiled for the first time.

"But you're not the same boy," she said. "How you've grown and . . . and changed." She thought she could see in his face all he had lived through.

Mortensen was everywhere at once, grinning and cracking his knuckles and showing off what a fine new son he had. Trygve stood in the corner, dark and angular, listening to them all and saying not a word.

Stensgard kept asking him what people said in Oslo, why he had been in prison, how he had managed to get out, but Trygve paid no attention. He was listening to Osterholm's report on the villages down the coast.

Kjerlof said, "Has anyone heard what the commandant intends to do?"

"No announcement yet," said Gerd, and kept looking at Trygve. "Because I thought," Kjerlof was saying, "if we could smuggle some means for escape up to them at the hotel, they might get out and over the Swedish line. That way we wouldn't have to fight until the whole country is ready."

"No," Trygve said abruptly, and came forward into the room. "If you free three men there die, they rest six. If you let three die, they will arrest ten, because by killing off the strong they can keep the village quiet. There is only one solution. That is to take matters into our own hands before they destroy us all."

"Then what do you propose?" the doctor interrupted.

"Fight."

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Boy Is Killed By Hit-And-Run Motorist
KANSAS CITY, Dec. 17.—(P)—Emmett Sheets, Jr., 11, was killed Wednesday by a hit-and-run motorist near 26th and Harrison streets. Police found a door handle knocked from the car when it struck the boy, they said, and began a search for the driver. The boy's father said funeral services will be held in Holt, Mo., Friday afternoon, with burial at Kearney, Mo. It was the city's 36th traffic death this year.

British Lose Submarine
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Proposes Two Peace Stages

Hoover Suggests That Prelude Be Conditional

CHICAGO, Dec. 17.—(P)—Herbert Hoover proposed Wednesday night that post-war peace-making be divided into two stages—a preliminary peace to be followed by a period devoted to solving problems in a cool and deliberate manner.

"The essence of my proposal is that we have no armistice, no general peace conference, such as Versailles, but that we set the peace making in two stages," he explained.

"The first to be an instant 'conditional peace' that will turn the world toward political, economic and spiritual recovery without the delays of last time. And then that the world should take time to cool off and work out one by one and separately the solutions for lasting peace."

The former President suggested that the separate problems should be examined or negotiated by separate commissions representing the dominant nations as a prelude to action by their governments.

He also stated, in an address prepared for delivery before the executives club and over the blue network, that the United States must cooperate with its allies in finding a lasting peace and making it secure.

He was scheduled to begin his address at 8 p. m. central war time.

Proposes Enforcement
To accomplish the purposes he outlined, Hoover said, the United Nations should agree in advance to the terms of a conditional peace and a subsequent program, and should impose and enforce the conditional peace.

He added that the declaration of conditional peace should embrace:

- "1. Total disarmament of the enemy.
- "2. The designation of provisional boundaries of nations.
- "3. Machinery for repatriation of prisoners and civilians driven from their homes.
- "4. The removal of the economic blockade the instant the enemy has handed over his arms.
- "5. The immediate organization to relieve famine, combat pestilence and aid in reconstruction.

Morgenthau Awards "T" Flag to Treasury



Secretary of the Treasury Morgenthau congratulates Edward F. Bartelt, who heads the Payroll Savings campaign among Treasury employees, and presents him with one of the Treasury's Minute Man "T" flags signifying that at least 90 percent of the Department's 65,000 workers are investing 10 percent of gross payroll or better in War Savings. Actually they have exceeded these "T" flag requirements for the past 3 months and 93.3 percent are now saving 10.6 percent in War Bonds.

TREASURY HAS RIGHT TO FLY OWN "T" FLAG

WASHINGTON, D. C.—In recognition of the Payroll Savings record of Treasury Department employees, more than 90 percent of whom have been saving better than 10 percent of gross payroll in War Bonds for the past 3 months, Secretary Morgenthau has awarded the Department one of its own Minute Man "T" flags. They are now investing 10.6 percent, with 93.3 percent of the Department's 65,000 employees participating in the plan. Recognition was accorded by Secretary Morgenthau through Edward F. Bartelt, the Department's Commissioner of Accounts, who received the flag on behalf of those whose payroll allotments established the right of the Treasury to fly it. Mr. Bartelt is in charge of the Payroll Savings drive within the Department.

Treasury payroll allotments are now being invested in War Bonds at the rate of roughly 15 million dollars a year, out of an annual payroll of 139 million dollars. The number of Treasury employees is currently reported at close to 65,000, including those in the field as well as in Washington. Approximately 60,500 of them are regularly allotting a portion of their pay checks to War Savings.

Leading all 22 Treasury Bureaus in the proportion of gross pay allotted to Payroll Savings is the Processing Tax Board of Review with 13 percent and with every worker participating. The Division of Tax Research is second, with 92.7 percent of its employees investing 12.6 percent of gross pay in War Bonds, and the War Savings Staff is third with 96.6 percent, saving 12.1 percent of every pay check in War Savings.

The offices of the Controller of the Currency and the General Counsel and the Division of Research and Statistics are all buying War Bonds with more than 11 percent of gross pay.

Otherwise there would be anarchy and no peace.

"6. The provisional restoration of all commercial treaties."

Hoover contended these steps would "speed recovery of the world" while it was engaged in solving such problems as machinery for preservation of peace, world disarmament, international economic relations, the disposition of enemy countries, punishment of criminal actions and intergovernmental debts.

Many of the problems, he said, must have time for the development and adherence of world opinion. He added that they should be separated for solution and that some might be dealt with before the war ends.

For Separate Commissions
"As a practical fact all of these separate questions will need at the start to be dealt with by separate commissions representing the dominant nations," Hoover asserted.

"Therefore the plan proposed is to appoint these commissions as part of the conditional peace. After each of the problems has been separately examined, reported or negotiated, then the principal governments should act."

He stated the conclusions of the commissions should be "open to expression of public opinion," and declared "this must be a people's peace."

Hoover maintained we must have a "new approach to the whole method of and process of peace making" if we are to avert repetition of the "tragedy of Versailles." He recalled the conflicts that came in the wake of World War I and added:

"When victory comes after this war, we must jointly with our allies again try to lead the world to the promised land across this terrible maelstrom of conflicting forces. If we are to have a lasting peace, it will be by cooperation with them in finding it and making it secure."

He said these "conflicting forces" would be in motion again when hostilities end. Under the promises of self-determination in the Atlantic charter, he continued, he continued, "the liberated peoples will no doubt again instantly set up their own governments."

"While in the enemy countries the defeated leaders and governments will be overthrown."

"Revolution will march," he stated, "and new men will come into the ascendancy."

Clashing interests will "haunt the halls of peace making," he said, "but I believe the will to peace will be more resolute this time."

Departing from his prepared text, the former president said there was resolution throughout the United Nations to gain a "real peace" this time.

"To give some purpose to our suffering we must gain a lasting peace, and we must step up de-

Brown Willing To Head OPA

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—(P)—Senator Prentiss Brown, Michigan Democrat defeated in the November election, was reported Wednesday night to have agreed reluctantly, at a White House conference, to become price administrator when and if Leon Henderson steps out.

Henderson may resign after Jan. 1 because of ill health, said an authoritative source who desired to remain anonymous. It was emphasized that the plans were subject to change.

Brown, asked about the reports, declined comment except to say that any information about his further possible connection with the government would have to come from the White House. He was understood to have attended a conference there today with President Roosevelt and James F. Byrnes, the economic director.

There were reports the change would be effective Jan. 15. Henderson was said to have told President Roosevelt he must have four months of rest and treatment soon for a back ailment, or possibly face serious physical consequences. That Henderson might later return to government service was considered likely.

There were indications that if Brown became price administrator the OPA personnel largely would be retained intact, but that changes in administrative policy would be made tending to soften the attitude Henderson has assumed on many questions, particularly those involving rationing programs.

Senatorial confirmation would be required for Brown, and there were indications that members of the farm bloc might make a fight against him.

Hoist Ceiling On Firewood

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 17.—(P)—The OPA district office Wednesday boosted ceiling prices on firewood in western Missouri in the hope of increasing the supply.

J. G. Callaway, state OPA director, said the ceiling revision was made at the request of many dealers who sought permission to increase cordwood prices to avert a threatened shortage.

The new ceilings, effective today, divide western Missouri into three zones.

In the Kansas City area (Jackson and Clay counties, Mo., and Wyandotte county, Kas.) Maximums are now \$13 for slabwood and soft wood, \$16 for dry oak and \$18 for hickory in less than 2-foot lengths, and \$1 a cord less for 4-foot lengths.

A flat charge of \$1 a cord is added to March prices charged by cutters in zone 1—Carroll, Livingston, Grundy, Mercer, Saline, Bates, Ray, Caldwell, Davies,

Harrison, Lafayette, Worth, Platte, Andrew, Nodaway, Holt, Clinton, DeKalb, Gentry, Atchison and Cass counties.

An addition of \$1.50 is allowed in zone 2: Johnson, Dallas, McDonald, Taney, Stone, Henry, Benton, Lawrence, Barry, Dade, Vernon, St. Clair, Hickory, Webster, Christian, Barton, Cedar, Polk and Newton counties. An addition of \$3 is allowed in zone 3: Pettis, Buchanan, Jasper and Greene counties.

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President's Son Popular With Army

Officers And Men Of His Unit Say 'He's A Good Guy'

By Noland Norgaard

ALLIED FORCES HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA, Dec. 14 (Delayed) (AP)—Lieut. Col. Elliott Roosevelt, son of the president, and his pilot, Major Harry Eidsen of Indianapolis have made preliminary flights over every major target chosen for bombing by the United States twelfth air force.

Col. Roosevelt is commander of a special photographic reconnaissance group.

It's quite a strain from Major Eidsen's viewpoint.

"You've got to hand it to Roosevelt," Eidsen explained. "That plane we fly is just big enough for two of us and he is a big man—so big he cannot even wear a parachute."

"You know what that would mean if we got winged. That takes what we politely call fortitude."

Roosevelt himself—already a familiar figure in every allied airdrome in North Africa—declined to talk much about his own flying.

And he's found that being the son of the president in as strongly an individualistic military outfit as the Twelfth Air Force is no easy matter.

"A Good Guy"

Officers and men of his own unit tell you, "He's a good guy."

But some other soldiers who know him only by name and family connection say they often eye him with suspicion.

Perhaps that's one reason he tries to get in more flying time over enemy territory than anyone else in his unit.

He has made more than a good share of "dicing"—the aerial photographer's term for daringly low swoops to picture targets at almost zero-zero altitudes.

Col. Roosevelt has done it over Tunisia, Sicily and Sardinia.

The 32-year-old son of the commander-in-chief thinks it's a great break to fly with Maj. Gen. James H. Doolittle and with the men of the Twelfth Air Force.

Want To Get Job Done

"Doolittle's not an army career man," he explained. "He's like most of us, from civil life. The effect shows in the whole attitude of the Twelfth Air Force—forget precedents and get the job done."

Like most soldiers, Roosevelt hasn't had any mail for two months.

With a grin he remarked, "Gosh, I guess my brother Franklin Jr. got into the show with the navy down here but I never guessed it until the other day I saw in a Philadelphia paper that he's in a Philadelphia hospital recovering from something that happened around North Africa."

Soap Companies Fined \$10,000

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 (AP)—The Justice Department announced today that it had filed a criminal information charging the nation's three largest manufacturers of soap and soap products with fixing prices in violation of the anti-trust law.

The information was filed in the Federal District Court at Newark, N. J., and the three companies and the president of each immediately pleaded nolo contendere and were fined \$10,000 each, the department said.

The defendants were listed as: Procter and Gamble company, and Richard Deupree, president, Cincinnati; Colgate-Palmolive-Peet company, Jersey City, N. J., and E. H. Little, president, Orange, N. J.; and Lever Brothers company, Cambridge, Mass., and Francis H. Countway, president, Brookline, Mass.

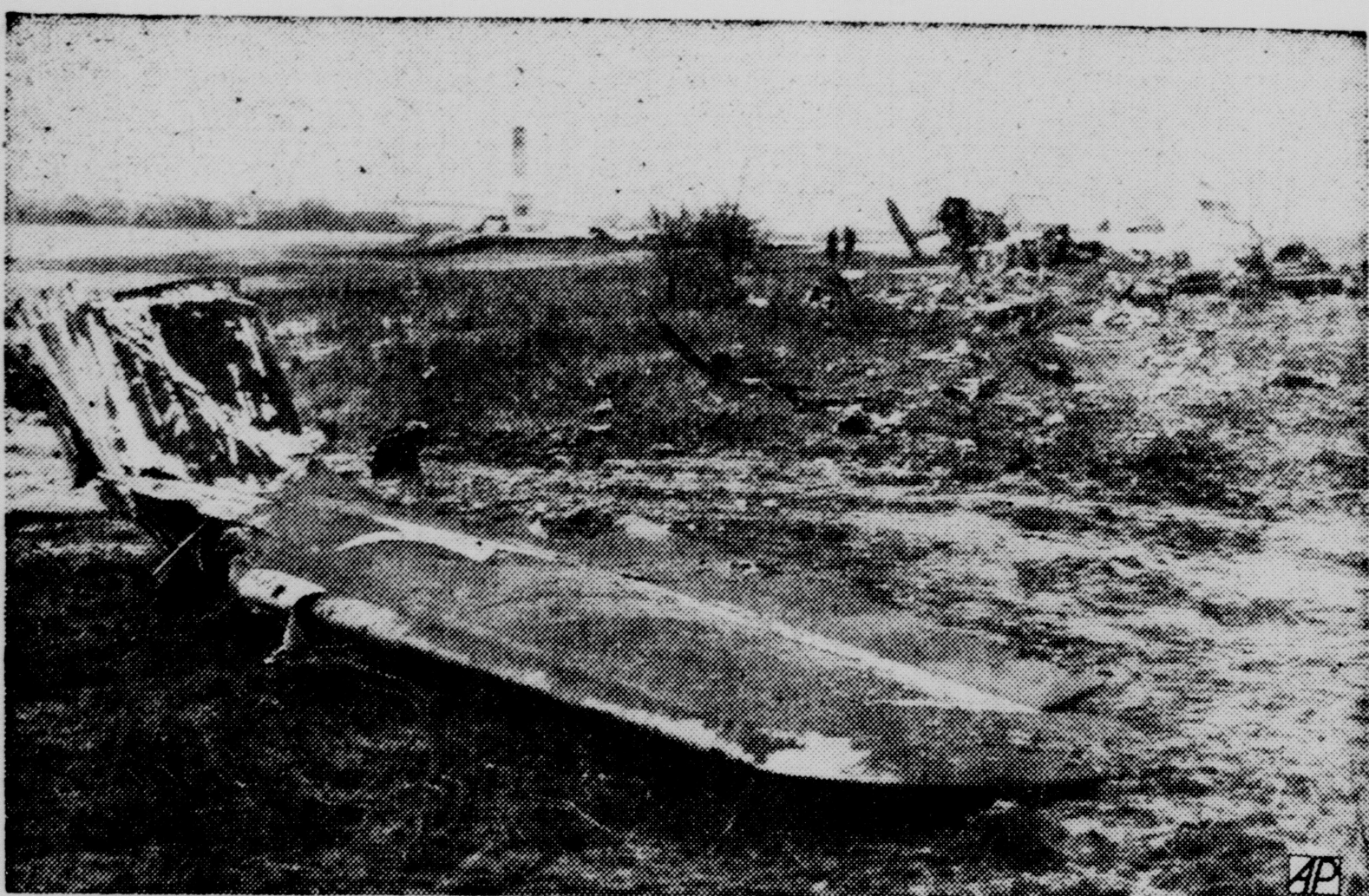
The companies were accused of fixing the terms, discounts and conditions of sale, with exchanging of price information and classification of customers and with granting or refusing certain allowances to customers.

The department said that the three companies produced and sold four-fifths of the approximately \$275,000,000 of soap and soap products sold each year in the United States.

A criminal information has the same effect as an indictment by a grand jury, but is a simpler procedure.

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Plane Crash Wreckage In Which Seven Died



Torn from the plane, this is the wing of an army bomber which crashed at St. Louis, killing seven men. In the background to left are other parts of the wreckage. The chimney in the distance is all that remained standing of the farm house which was destroyed by fire as a result of the crash.

Axis Army In Libya Divided, Trapped By Allied Forces

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To Tunis and Bizerte.

This was the reverse of an earlier Vichy broadcast saying that allied troops had withdrawn from Medjez-El-Bab, 35 miles southwest of Tunis.

"It can be said," the Morocco radio added, "that the course of the battle already is changing under the weight of allied air superiority."

Rommel's predicament apparently was the result in large part of air blows which previously had telescoped his retreating line by stalling the front end behind roads blocked with the blasted debris of trucks and tanks while ground forces pressed on the rear.

"Following a night of intensive ground strafing," the Cairo communique said, "our bombers and fighter-bombers yesterday continued to attack the retreating enemy."

It mentioned good targets particularly in the Zautia En Nofilia area, about 100 miles overland west of El Agheila, and said they "were bombed with excellent results."

Feeble Axis Patrols

Rommel evidently had been so intent on avoiding just such a pitched fight as the British pocket force on him that only feeble rearguard patrols were put out to delay the British, whose pace was checked principally by a long supply line and the elaborate maze of mines Rommel left behind.

The German communique, for the first time, acknowledged the renewal of Rommel's flight which it said was developing "according to plan."

Allied airpower also took a heavy toll on enemy bases in Tunisia. The Cairo communique said docks at Tunis and La Goulette were bombed again Tuesday night in a raid "which lasted more than eight hours."

Hits were scored on an oil storage depot, barracks, freight yards and La Goulette island, causing violent explosions and large fires, it said, and the canal between Tunis and La Goulette "was partially blocked as a result of the attack."

La Goulette is part of the Tunis harbor area.

The Italian communique said German raiders bombed allied ports in Algeria, particularly Philippeville.

Community News From

Warsaw

Miss Genevieve Drake

The McCormick Book club met at the home of Miss Lucile Calbert. Members present: Misses Nelveda Surbaugh, Florence Hudson, Idellah Holley, Ruth Rucker, Gladys Myers, Miriam Freeman, Genevieve Drake, Mrs. S. K. Bowman, Mrs. M. N. White, Mrs. Norman Thurston, Mrs. J. H. Wagner, Mrs. Gus Salley, and the hostess, Mrs. Bowman reviewed "Cross-Creek" by Marjorie Rawlings. Miss Surbaugh had charge of current events.

Mrs. H. N. Ferguson returned Monday from St. Louis where she had been a guest in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Forrest Cain, and Mr. Cain.

Miss Nina Dampf of Jefferson City spent the week-end in the F. M. Brady home. Miss Dampf, who has been employed in the office of state superintendent of schools, will leave soon for the west coast.

Cpl. Billy Salley of the U. S. Marines is enjoying a furlough here with friends and relatives. Cpl. Salley fought in the battle of the Solomons.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Bibb enjoyed the week-end in Kansas City with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Edwards. They attended the Missouri-Iowa Seahawk football game Saturday.

Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Wagner were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Phillips at Mrs. Eula Pardy's cafe.

Sgt. Gordon Howard Drake arrived December 2 for a brief visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Drake. He returned December 4 to George Field, Ind.

Cpl. Billy Eaton of the U. S. Army is visiting friends and relatives in Benton county.

Eugene Smith returned from Washington, where he has been working in the ship yards. He is at the home of his father, C. C. Smith.

Mrs. Arch Proctor has returned from Chicago where she had been visiting.

The Warsaw schools were dismissed for the teachers to attend the state convention in Kansas City. T. A. Reid, J. R. Boring, and Miss Rosemary McAllister, drove to Kansas City where they were Benton county delegates to the convention.

Miss Grace Williams and Pvt. Gerald Blanchard were married at the Baptist parsonage in Elizabethtown, Ky., Thursday November 26. After a short honeymoon, Pvt. Blanchard returned to Fort Knox, and Mrs. Blanchard returned to Kansas City, where she is employed. Mrs. Blanchard is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Williams of Fairfield. She is a graduate of Warsaw high school, 1939, and a graduate beauty operator. Pvt. Blanchard graduated from Warsaw high school in 1942. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Blanchard of Warsaw.

Mrs. Clyde McCarty, Jr., has returned from Rantoul, Ill., where she has been with her husband, who has been stationed at Chanute Field. Pvt. McCarty has been transferred to California.

Miss Joann Henderson drove to Kansas City December 3, for a visit, before continuing to Colorado, where she will join her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Henderson. Her position as deputy circuit clerk has been taken by Miss Geraldine Cunningham.

The Men's Bridge club met at Westview, with Albert Parker, host. First prize went to Clay Paul, with consolation to T. A. Reid. Others present included: Lloyd Parsons, Mearl Campbell, Alvin Groomer, W. J. Lumpe, G. B. Kinder, Dr. Guss Salley, O. V. Singleton, Gene Bibb, Loyd Parker, and the host.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Phillips held open house in honor of Mrs. Tom Thurston of Peoria, Ariz. Mrs. Thurston also has visited in Sedalia with her aunts, Mrs. Julia Russell and Mrs. Ann Osborne.

Mr. and Mrs. Lew Ayres of Chillicothe, visited friends in Warsaw. Mrs. Ayres is the former Miss Margaret Huckell, daughter of Rev. E. L. Huckell, who was pastor of the Baptist church here several years ago. Rev. Huckell, who has been living in Chillicothe, died there November 22.

Harold Parratt of the U. S. Navy spent the week-end here with Mrs. Parratt, who teaches second and third grades in the Warsaw school.

The Warsaw Parent-Teachers Association met Friday afternoon at the school. The subject was "Cultural Influences in the Community." Mrs. Joe White, Jr., librarian at the Community Library talked on "Books for Christmas."

A damage suit for \$15,000 filed by Joe E. Thompson of Pettis county against Dr. G. W. Groves of Knob Noster, and Dr. Milton P. Shy of Sedalia is being tried in the Johnson county circuit court, at Warrensburg. The trial went to court Tuesday and is expected to be completed either late this evening or Friday morning.

War-time transportation problems delayed the trial several hours Wednesday when the plaintiff's attorney William G. Boatright, of Kansas City, was delayed. Mr. Boatright found that his train was two hours late. He endeavored to board a bus but the crowded conditions were such he was not permitted to board it. He arrived in Warrensburg about 11:30 o'clock in the morning by private automobile.

Thompson is asking damages for an injury to his right eye, which he alleges occurred while he was under a general anesthetic during an appendicitis operation he underwent in December, 1940, at the Bothwell hospital in Sedalia upon the advice of the doctors.

The jury hearing the case is composed of Clyde Adamson, R. E. Elliott, J. N. Hutchinson, Russell Truninger, Floyd Fewel, O. J. Bush, S. E. Wingfield, C. E. Crew, S. C. Pinson, Elmer Bell, Joe Wissman and T. E. Wagoner. Attorneys for Mr. Thompson are Mr. Boatright and James R. Garrison, of Warrensburg. Representing the defendants are Henry C. Salveter for Dr. Groves, and D. S. Lamm for Dr. Shy.

Army-Navy Contract For Use Of Schools (Continued From Page One)

stitutions will be drafted by the chairman of the war manpower commission, Paul V. McNutt.

All the men assigned to the college training courses will be uniformed and will receive the pay and be under the military discipline of the regular army, navy, marine corps or coast guard.

The joint statement, summarizing the army's training program, said:

"The objective of this plan is to meet the need of the army for the specialized technical training of soldiers on active duty for certain army tasks for which its own training facilities are insufficient in extent or character."

It added that the plan would provide for "selection for this training of qualified young men on a broad Democratic basis without regard to financial resources."

For Enlisted Men

"The selection of soldiers for such training," the statement continued regarding the army's phase of the program, will be made from enlisted men who have completed or are completing their basic military training and who apply for selection for specialized training.

"This selection will follow the general plan now in effect for the selection of enlisted men for officer candidate schools with such additional methods of ascertaining qualifications as may be deemed appropriate after consultation with educators. The war department will control all selections and only enlisted men under 22 years of age will be eligible for selection under this program, except for an advanced stage of technical training."

The navy's phase differed in providing that high school graduates or those between the ages of 17 and 19 years with satisfactory educational qualifications may be inducted as apprentice seamen or as privates in the marine corps, placed on active duty and assigned to colleges or universities for training.

Requirements

Requirements for participation in the program under the navy regulation, as listed in the joint statement were:

"1. Be male citizens of the United States, 17 through 19 years of age as of the date of enlistment or induction.

"2. Be organically sound, without physical disabilities and have not less than 18-20 vision.

"3. Be prepared to undertake a rigorous program of education on the college level."

Provision also was included in the navy's program for educational training of enlisted men between the ages of 17 and 20 years "who have proper educational qualifications and are recommended by their commanding officer."

The navy provided that men assigned for training under the program will be eligible at any time upon request for transfer to aviation training.

Mrs. Voelkel Suffers Stroke On Wednesday

Mrs. W. M. Voelkel, 1211 East Broadway, suffered a stroke at her home just before noon Wednesday and was found by her daughter, Miss Ruth Voelkel shortly afterward when she came home to lunch.

Mrs. Voelkel was taken to the Bothwell hospital and is still unconscious. She is seventy years old.

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Obituaries

W. H. Neely

William H. Neely, aged 80 years, of 400 West Fourth street, retired Missouri-Kansas-Texas railway passenger engineer, passed away at 10:15 o'clock Wednesday night at the M-K-T hospital in Parsons, Kas., where he had been a patient since last March.

Mr. Neely was one of the best known railway men serving the Katy for a long term of years, having been actively employed by that company for a period of fifty years previous to his retirement in 1937.

He was born in Ohio on July 22, 1862 the son of William Henry and Caroline Neely and when a young man went with his parents to Trenton, Mo., where they lived on a farm up to the time of his coming to Sedalia when he took employment as a fireman for the M-K-T hospital in Parsons, Kas., his residence in Sedalia being ever since he was 21 years old.

Mr. Neely was a member of the Fifth street Methodist church and the Brotherhood of Railway Engineers.

Surviving him is a widow, also a daughter, Mrs. W. D. Phillips, formerly of Los Angeles, who with her husband and two children came to Sedalia last February to be with him. Mr. Phillips taking a run on the Missouri Pacific as a fireman. They reside at the Neely home as does also a sister, Mrs. Lizzie M. Phillips of that address and a brother, C. W. Neely of Rogers, Ark.

Funeral services will be held Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the McLaughlin funeral chapel with Rev. H. U. Campbell, pastor of the Fifth street Methodist church to officiate.

The body is at the funeral chapel and will remain there until after the services.

Burial will be in the Memorial Park cemetery.

Mrs. G. K. O'Hara

Funeral services for Mrs. G. Kenneth O'Hara of Morrisstown, N. J., sister of Mrs. Frank Armstrong of 725 West Seventh street, who died suddenly Saturday morning, following an operation at the Boone County hospital at Columbia, were held at the Parkers Memorial chapel in Columbia Tuesday afternoon with Rev. C. E. Lemmon officiating. Burial was at Memorial Park cemetery in Columbia.

Mrs. O'Hara, the former Lillian Stevinson, recently arrived in Booneville for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Stevinson. She was a graduate of Christian college and was well known throughout the east as an ardent horsewoman.

She is survived by her husband, her son, Robert Sam Mead of Washington, D. C., her parents and her sister, Mrs. Armstrong.

Mr. Armstrong returned Wednesday from Booneville where he attended the funeral services. Mrs. Armstrong will remain there for several days.

Believes Stories Are To Aid Nazis

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 (AP)—Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, answering questions, said today that she believed that stories now current that she had made luncheon reservations for Negroes at Washington hotels—which she said she had never done—"are inspired statements as would be of value to the Nazis."

Several reporters commented at her press conference that they had heard stories that Mrs. Roosevelt had made such reservations in leading hotels here.

Mrs. Roosevelt said that there were other stories about the country, specifically that while attending a conference in Nashville, Tenn., she had sought to take three Negroes into lunch at a hotel there.

She said she had not done so. Mrs. Roosevelt said that the only thing that interests her about such stories is that they must be inspired, because they spring up all over the country at about the same time and in about the same form.

Asked if she thought they could be inspired by the Nazis, she said that she could not say that but added "such stories are inspired statements as would be of value to the Nazis."

She was also asked if she thought that the latest stories were tied in to the Eleanor club stories—that she was encouraging Negro women to form clubs named for her.

She said it might be so.

Protest Walkout At Ford Plant

DETROIT, Dec. 17 (AP)—Assembly of war vehicles halted shortly before noon today in the Ford Motor company's Highland Park plant, a company spokesman reported, after approximately 500 union workers stopped work in protest against the disciplining of three fellow employees.

Officials of the United Automobile Workers (CIO) local 400 were reported urging the men to return to work. No other departures were said to be affected.

Funeral of John Lee Wright Friday Afternoon

The funeral of John Lee Wright, Negro, who died at the Missouri Pacific hospital in St. Louis Monday will be held at the A. M. E. church, Pettis and Osage streets, at 3 o'clock Friday afternoon with the Rev. M. H. Van Hoose officiating. The deceased is survived by two sisters, a brother and a niece.

The body will remain at the Alexander funeral home until time for the services.

H. K. Bente Will Is Filed Today

The will of the late H. K. Bente, who passed away on Saturday, December 12, was filed in Probate Court today. His estate was left to his sister, Miss Minnie E. Bente and to his brother, Charles W. Bente, jointly.

Charles W. Bente was appointed executor of the estate.

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Personals

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Anderson and son, "Billy", of Northfield, Minn., will arrive next Thursday for a visit during the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Shackelford, of 910 1/2 West Third street.

Mrs. J. L. Joyce, 1120 Wilkerson street, has returned home after a visit of several days with her mother, Mrs. Inez Pearl at Chamois.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Gehlken of Kansas City were weekend guests of Mr. Gehlken's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gehlken and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Webb Foster of Lansing, Mich., are here for a visit with their parents, Mrs. T. O. Herrick, 2100 South Marvin avenue and Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Foster, 1704 East Sixteenth street.

Jerry Solomon, Carlisle, Wyo., has returned to his home after a visit with his brother, Herbert Solomon, 1807 West Broadway, his sister, Mrs. O. M. Schilb, 1402 East Tenth street and other relatives in Sedalia. He also visited his brother, B. E. Solomon in Ottaville.

Mrs. Rachel Kieselbach of Jefferson City is the guest of her sister, Mrs. G. W. McKelvey and family, 1900 South Summit avenue.

Corp. J. C. McGrady will arrive Tuesday from Camp Tyson, Tenn., to spend the Christmas holidays with his mother, Mrs. G. E. McGrady, 1403 East Tenth street.

Concerned Over Minors Drinking

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 17 (AP)—Drinking of liquor by minors has increased here to such an extent that excise commissioner Arthur H. Bader said today he was frankly concerned over the situation.

"Coke highballs" have become the favorite drink of many youths who formerly restricted themselves to mere "cokes," he noted.

"We have found that high school boys have a new diversion, and that's to buy a bottle of gin or whisky to take to the movie with them. It seems they get a bigger kick out of cowboy pictures and other thrillers while drinking."

One neighborhood theater manager recently reported finding 60 empty liquor bottles in a single night after the show.

Bader said he was planning to crack down on liquor establishments which sell to boys and girls. State law bans sale of liquor to persons under 21 years of age.

"The selling of hard drinks to youths only leads to grief and great distress to the family of the boy or girl involved," the commissioner declared. "Certainly such a practice contributes greatly to juvenile delinquency, and I'm going to bend every effort to stop it cold."

Leaders Up 1 To 4 Points

NEW YORK, Dec. 17 (AP)—The stock market today gave its best recovery performance in months with leaders advancing 1 to 4 points, many to new tops for the year, and dealings the liveliest since last December.

The list was a bit hesitant at the start but strong bids soon were forthcoming for steel, rails, motors, rubbers and assorted industrial blue chips. Low-priced issues continued to account for a sizable portion of the volume. General gains were well maintained in the final hour although the pace slackened somewhat after mid-day. Transfers for the full proceedings were in the neighborhood of 1,300,000 shares.

Brokers attributed the brisk extension of Wednesday's comeback partly to speculative participation on the belief of the usual year-end bull would materialize when tax selling was out of the way. Good war news, it suggested, may have propped up interest to a certain degree.

Touching peak marks for 1942 were U. S. Rubber, Firestone, Goodyear, International, Chrysler, General Motors, International Harvester, Deere, Air Reduction, American Nan, Union Carbide, U. S. Gypsum, Warner Bros., Standard Oil (NJ), Zenith Radio and Philco.

Prime movers included U. S. Steel, Bethlehem, Santa Fe, N. Y. Central, Union Pacific, J. I. Case, Sperry, United Aircraft, Kennecott, American, De Pont, J. C. Penney, General Tire and Sears Roebuck.

Butter: Whole milk extras 45 1/2c; standards 44 1/2c; firsts 43c to 42 1/2c; seconds 39c to 40c.

Butter: 41c to 44c.

Cheese: Northern Twins 25 1/2c.

Kansas City Produce

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 17 (AP)—Poultry and produce:

Eggs 27 1/2c to 35 1/2c.

Hens 17c to 22c; broilers 25c; springs 21c to 25c; roosters 14 1/2c to 16c; hen turkeys 25c to 30 1/2c; tom turkeys 20c to 25 1/2c.

Butterfat: 42c to 45c.

Butter 44c to 45 1/2c.

St. Louis Cash Grain

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 17 (AP)—Cash: Wheat, receipts 6 cars, none sold, steady.

Corn, receipts 65 cars, sold 12 cars, 1 1/2-1 lower. No. 2 yellow 91-92, No. 3 89 1/2-90 1/2, No. 4 none.

The Markets

Kansas City Livestock

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 17 (AP)—U. S. Dept. Agr.—Hogs 3000; active: 10-20 higher; top 14.20 freely; good to choice 180 lb. and up 14.00-20; 140-170 lb. 13.65-14.00; sows mostly 13.50-60.

Cattle—2500; calves: 400; fed steers rather slow; steady to 15 lower; heifers and bulls steady; vealers in light supply; light changed; stockers and feeders scarce. Steady; choice medium weight fed steers 15.00; medium and good grade offerings mostly 12.25-14.25; light weight cutter grade Mexicans down to 9.50; several loads good to low choice heifers 13.25-14.00; medium to good short feeds 11.75-12.75; medium to good cows 9.50-11.25; cutter to common grade lots 7.50-9.00; most canners 6.00-7.00; odd sausage bulls up to 11.50 good to choice vealers 12.50-14.50.

Sheep 7000; slow practically nothing sold early; opening bids on slaughter lambs around 25 lower; asking fully steady; good to choice wheat pasture lambs held above 14.55.

St. Louis Livestock

NATIONAL STOCKYARDS, Ill., Dec. 17 (AP)—U. S. Dept. Agr.—Hogs, 12,000; fairly active; 150 lbs. 10 to 15 higher than average Wednesday; lighter weights and sows 15 to 25 higher; bulk good and choice 15.00-270 lbs. 14.25-35; top 14.35; later deals around 14.25; heavier weights scarce; 140-160 lbs. 13.50-14.10; 100-140 lb. 13.25-35; sows 13.46-30; largely 13.55-35.

Cattle, 2,500; calves, 1,000; steers steady to 25 higher; heifers strong; other classes steady; good steers 14.00-15.00; medium 12.50-13.65; good to choice heifers 13.00-14.50; medium to 12.50; common and medium cows 9.00-11.00; medium sausage bulls 10.50-12.25; good and choice vealers 15.25; medium and good 12.75-14.00; nominal range slaughter steers 10.50-16.00; slaughter heifers 9.50-15.75; stocker and feeder steers 9.00-13.75.

Sheep, 2,000; salable receipts include two double yearlings; around 1300 trucked-in native lambs; few loads reported back; market not established.

Chicago Livestock

CHICAGO, Dec. 17 (AP)—U. S. Dept. Agr.—Hogs 15,000; 10-20 higher; closing less active than early; good and choice 200-300 lb. 14.10-25; top 14.25; 170-190 lb. 13.90-14.10; sows steady to 10 higher; good and choice 160 lb. down 13.90-14.00; 450-550 lb. 13.75-90.

Cattle 4,500; calves 900; fed steers and yearlings active, steady to strong; strictly choice steers absent; top 16.25; bulk 13.50-15.75; heifers full steady; bulk 12.50-14.50; top 15.25; cows and bulls 10-15 higher; very active; weighty cutter cows to 9.00; heavy sausage bulls to 12.90 with 13.00 quotable; vealers fully steady at 13.00-15.50.

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Farm News and Features of Interest to . . .

The Central Missouri Farmer



Method For Slaughtering Beef On Farm Found To Be Not As Convenient As Butchering Hogs

The slaughter of beef on the farm is not as universal a practice as the dressing of hogs. Beef cannot be so conveniently handled, so economically used, nor so satisfactorily preserved for future use. The size of the animal makes it much more difficult to handle, but such difficulty can easily be overcome if the few simple saving tools are secured that are available on almost any farm.

In selecting cattle to be slaughtered for the home, the health of the animal is of first consideration. If there is any reason to suspect the animal might be diseased, it should be sold on a market where it would be subjected to federal or local inspection at the time of slaughtering.

Handling
Any animal that is to be slaughtered should be kept off feed from 18 to 24 hours, allowing free access to water, and exercising care in handling at time of slaughtering to avoid undue excitement. A beef animal that is to be slaughtered should first be securely tied to a stout post or tree if the work is to be done outside, or to a ring in or near the floor if the dressing is to be done under cover. A three-quarter inch rope is tied with a bowline knot around the neck of the animal, placing the knot at the side away from the windpipe to avoid choking. A half-hitch is looped over the nose. The head is then drawn down into position for stunning, and is held in place by looping the rope around the post or studding so that one person can control the animal.

The following steps are all essential as they apply to the end product, an attractive carcass of beef. These steps will merely be listed in regard to each of them may secure the same from their county agent. They are as follows: stunning; location for stunning; bleeding; skinning the body; opening the abdominal cavity; raising the carcass; removing the intestines; splitting the carcass; and trimming.

It is always a desirable practice for farm families to use some beef in the year's meat supply, because beef furnishes some of the desired food nutrients to a better advantage than does pork. Pork, on the other hand, excels in some sources of food nutrients. Also, the year's quota of meats, partially supplied by beef, will release more pork for lend-lease purposes, which is very desirable at this time. Beef lends itself well to canning, to make a better distribution of the supply of meat throughout the year, and for farm families having access to frozen food lockers, beef is ideal.

A very satisfactory arrangement is for four families to divide a carcass of beef, to make a better distribution of it, and thereby eliminate the risk of the meat becoming old or having to can too much of it at one time.

Cutting Beef
Beef, if hung for a few days, loses some of its toughness. The temperature should be above freezing for this ripening process. The ideal temperature would be

around 36 degrees Fahrenheit. The place in which the carcass is hung, and the weather, should govern the length of time the meat hangs before it is cut. Under favorable conditions, ten days to three weeks will be adequate for the ripening process. A beef carcass is split in halves with a saw while the carcass is warm. Beef carcasses are divided into quarters by cutting between the twelfth and thirteenth ribs.

Fore-quarter cuts. Lay the fore-quarter on the table with the bone side down, removing the shank. Saw the bone and cut the shank from the brisket. The lower portion of the shank or knee should be saved off, while the remaining portion is cut into several pieces. The shanks are used largely for soups, or the meat may be trimmed from the bones and used for stews, hamburger steaks, or sausage.

The plate is removed by cutting at a point eleven to thirteen inches, depending upon the size of the carcass, from the center of the spinal column, or at a point on the rib where the layer of muscle is thinnest. Making the cut from this point, on the small end of the rib, direct the knife to a point in the pit of the shoulder, two inches below the red muscle exposed just above the shoulder pit. From this point, cut downward between the second and third ribs, to the place where the shank has been removed. The knife is then turned, and the cut is made parallel to the one made in removing the shank. There are seven rib-ends in the plate.

Brisket. Remove the brisket along the same line made in removing the shank. The plate and brisket are used largely for making stews, hamburgers, corned beef, and for boiling purposes.

Ribs. Seven rear ribs in the fore-quarter constitute the prime ribs of beef, and are removed by cutting the fifth and sixth ribs. Saw through the shoulder blade and backbone. The prime ribs may be further divided into roasts of two or three ribs to form standing roasts, folded roasts, and rolled roasts.

Chuck. The chuck should be cut into roasts. The two rib roasts, called the chuck rib roasts, is removed first. Then a round-boned pot roast may be removed by cutting parallel with the ribs, adding additional chuck roasts are removed. The neck should be cut into pieces suitable for stewing or boned out for mincemeat, hamburger, etc.

Hindquarter. Place the hind-quarter on a table with the outside down, and remove the kidney fat.

Flank. The flank is removed by cutting in at the cod or udder, and following the round muscle, cutting closely to avoid removing the lean meat from nearer the stifle joint. The cut is then continued forward so as to remove four or five inches from the tip end of the one rib left in the hindquarter. The flank steak is then stripped from the inside of the flank.

Loin. Separate the loin from the round and rump. From a point where the backbone starts to rise toward the tail, count four vertebra bones toward the tail and cut from this point to a point about one inch in front of the aitch bone. The entire loin is cut into steaks. Start cutting sirloin steaks from the loin ends, and continue through the short loin for T-bone steaks and club steaks.

Rump. Remove the rump from the round by cutting directly below and parallel to the pelvic arch. It is used as a roast.

Round. The round is usually

Insect Enemies Are Hazard Of Wartime

Threat To Both Health And To Food Production

Of the many wartime hazards which threaten health and the production of food, insect enemies must not be overlooked. Leonard Haseman of the University of Missouri College of Agriculture, in pointing out that never before has it been so important that the health of all of our people be closely guarded and that we produce every possible ounce of food.

Insect pests are the most populous and most menacing creatures on the globe today. They always stand ready to pounce upon man and his belongings when, for any reason, he becomes involved in a nation-wide or world-wide upset. Insects thrive on human turmoil. In this country, therefore, and throughout the world today the threat of the insect menace is the greatest in human history.

Carriers of Disease

Flies, mosquitoes, fleas, cockroaches, and the dozen and one other carriers of deadly human diseases in this country and throughout the world where our men are fighting are difficult enough to control in peacetimes. They become a double threat in wartimes. With a shortage of medical aid at home, as well as in the jungles and deserts, it becomes the duty of each man, woman, and child to do everything possible to escape the attack of dangerous insects, and through personal hygiene to keep well and on the job. On the farm, in the crowded production centers, and in the camps and on the firing line, each one of us must guard our individual health as a patriotic duty.

Now that man is waging an all-out war in his own ranks, insect pests are expecting a national holiday on the farm, in the garden and orchard, in the forest, cotton fields, feedlots, and in the food storage centers. In peacetime, the loss of a few million tons of foodstuffs to insect pests is scarcely noticed. But for the duration, and thereafter until the starving peoples of the world are once more given something to eat, it will be an unpardonable sin for anyone to permit the willful waste or the unnecessary loss of a single ounce of foodstuffs to insect pests. Every food producer, dealer, and consumer is under duty bound to protect our food supply from the insect menace which in wartime always grows worse.

The research and field staffs of the College of Agriculture have the answers to many of the major insect problems, and they stand ready and anxious to help in this emergency with the protection of man, livestock, crops, and foodstuffs from insects and other avoidable losses.

cut into steaks, but it may be divided along the natural seams into three boneless pieces to be used for dried beef.

Hind Shank. The large piece of meat may be removed for a pot roast, and the remainder of the shank cut into pieces for boiling or it may be boned out for sausage and hamburger.

Good Bread By Homemade Yeast

Good bread for her family is one of the important concerns of every homemaker, so, "Return to the art of home baking," is becoming popular by rural families who cannot go to town as frequently as in the past and by town families too.

The problem of yeast is of much concern to many rural women, but can easily be solved by a homemade "starter" which can be kept from time to time. To make the starter, pare and boil 1/4 lb. of potatoes in 1 1/4 cups water until tender, mash in their liquid and add 3 tablespoons sugar, 1 1/2 tablespoons salt and enough cold water to make 3/4 cups of liquid. Allow this mixture to become lukewarm (82 degrees F.). Add 1 cake of dried or compressed yeast soaked in 1 1/2 cup of lukewarm water to save starter. Store it in a clean scalded jar loosely covered and in a cool place until time to bake. Do not let it freeze.

The remainder of the mixture can be used for baking immediately as any yeast.

This type of starter should be used at least twice a week to prevent spoilage. If bread is not baked this often, the starter may be renewed by making up a new mixture at least once a week and using 1 1/2 cup starter instead of the yeast used in the original one.

Next Week In The Kitchen

Now Is The Time To Use The Canned Tomatoes

Most families do not have fresh raw fruits and vegetables to use at this season of the year. Oranges and grape fruit are not yet at the peak of their season and seem expensive so this is the time to open up some of the tomato and tomato juice canned last summer and serve them in some way at least 3 or 4 times a week. Fresh raw fruits and vegetables, citrus fruits, and tomatoes are dependable sources of vitamin C. This vitamin is essential for strong blood vessels, for sound teeth and healthy gums, and aids the body in making good use of the other vitamins and minerals. Each day's meals should contain some foods which are sources of vitamin C. Potatoes cooked in their jackets or baked, raw turnips, cabbage, spinach, parsley, watercress, and lettuce, a salad of raw stored fruits or vegetables, or a fresh fruit as bananas, raw apples, and pineapple are good sources of vitamin C and should be eaten the days tomatoes or citrus fruit are not used.

In the winter most of us need to pursue vitamin C if we are to have a good margin of this essential food material in everyday meals. One serving of canned tomatoes or a glass of tomato juice will provide enough vitamin C for the average person for one day.

Make sure of your supply of vitamin C by serving tomatoes or tomato juice every day that you do not have a citrus fruit, or at least 2 or 3 of the foods named above as good sources of vitamin C.

Cooking Liver and Kidney

Any kind of liver—beef, pork, or lamb, as well as calf liver—can be cooked so it will be delicious. The liver of young animals is naturally more delicate in flavor and texture than the liver from older animals. Liver from pork or lamb generally has a stronger flavor than from calf. Most of the strong flavor of liver can be removed by scalding the liver with boiling water. Many vegetables as onion, celery, carrots, and tomatoes combine well with liver and tend to make the liver taste more mild. A well seasoned brown sauce made with bacon fat and bits of bacon and a Spanish sauce with green pepper and onions may be used with strong flavored liver with good results.

Many rules for cooking liver so that it will be appetizing apply also to kidney from veal, lamb, pork, and beef. Beef kidney is largest; veal kidney most expensive. Beef kidney may need to be simmered in water and the water changed several times to remove any strong flavor. Kidney, like liver, is good cooked with such flavorful foods as bacon, onion, celery, sweet pepper and tomato. Kidney stew made with a rich brown gravy, or beef and kidney pie, also made with a brown gravy are famous and very popular dishes. Veal, lamb or pork kidney is delicious if it is allowed to stand in oil and vinegar an hour or so and then is broiled under or over a direct flame.

To break down the family's prejudice against kidneys serve them first with sauce or vegetables that will disguise them somewhat in flavor and appearance.

Nuts

Missouri has a good crop of nuts. Black walnuts are plentiful over the state and in some sections hickory and hazel nuts may be found while in other areas the native pecans are found in abundance. Limited amounts of peanuts are grown in Missouri.

Nuts are a very concentrated food and are better used as an integral part of the menu rather than as a supplement to an already adequate meal. The flavor of some mild flavored nuts, such as almonds, hickory nuts, and hazel nuts may be developed by roasting. This makes them more desirable for use in baked products such as nut breads, cakes, and cookies.

For roasting peanuts with the skins on, spread the nuts in a baking pan and heat them in a slow oven (300 F.). They should be stirred occasionally. Nuts may be used in many dishes giving a greater richness and flavor to them. Add nuts to candied sweet potatoes, stewed fruits, stuffing for fowl, quick and yeast breads, salad, sandwich fillings, candies, ice creams, and cakes.

Regulation of Temperature

Regulation of oven temperature is an important factor in cooking and especially so when cooking with honey and sirup products. Incorrect temperature is the most common cause of failure when using honey or sorghums, since these sweets require a lower temperature than when cooking with sugar. Mixtures made with honey, sorghum, or molasses brown and

burn very easily, and high temperature changes the flavor of honey. The oils which give honey its fine flavor evaporate with heat and the sugar caramelizes. A cake made with honey needs to be baked in a slower oven, at least 25 F. lower than a cake made with sugar. Do not use a temperature higher than 375 F. for honey cookies or more than 350 F. to bake a loaf of honey nut bread or cake. When honey is added to sweeten a cooked food, add it last and keep the temperature low.

Onions

Onions can be served in many ways besides merely as seasoning for other foods. Onions are usually precooked before stuffing. They may be stuffed with a combination of starchy foods as bread crumbs, rice, or corn and some cheese, eggs, bacon, or meat. The stuffed vegetables are placed in a baking dish with a small amount of meat stock or water and baked in a moderate oven.

Other ways of serving onions as one of the principal vegetable dishes are onions baked in milk, topped with buttered crumbs, onion-cheese soup, scalloped onions and tomatoes creamed onions, broiled onions served with cheese sauce, and French fried onions.

No Slack Time For The Farmers

Farmers will not have many slack times this year, but more time will be available this winter than next spring to put in a dependable state of repair all of the farm machinery which must be depended upon next year for a crop, says Marion Clark of the University of Missouri College of Agriculture.

This will save much loss of time and extra labor at a time when both will be critical in cropping or harvest. It will also give the local dealer or repair man, who is also seriously short of help, a chance to repair, rebuild, or order any parts needed before the spring rush when he cannot hope to take care of all the work with his reduced help. To clean, inspect, repair, and adjust the necessary farm machinery and power units this winter will be one of the greatest labor savers and the best assurance of a full crop next year that many farmers can take. This work should be done in a heated shed if possible.

County agents will this year again have for distribution check sheets with points most likely to cause trouble for different machines, and suggestions for ordering parts through local dealers. They will also have well illustrated charts and bulletins showing repair and adjustment steps on common farm machines.

Where local meetings are desired by farmers for some further explanation on repairs and adjustments, the county agent and local dealers will cooperate to give the best information they have available to make machines dependable to operate efficiently for another crop year. The information received at many machinery care, repair, and adjustment schools held over the state by county agents the last several years is particularly fitting and should be even more valuable now than ever before.

Care Of Washer Is Important

Your washing machine is just as important as your car. Are you taking good care of it? First you must know your machine. Read your directions even if you have read them before and check the machine many times. Check to see that all bolts and screws in the frame are tight. Lubricate all parts that need it including the castors. Be careful not to spill oil on any rubber parts. If oil does get on rubber parts, wash it immediately with soap and water, then rinse it with clear water and dry it with a cloth.

Be careful not to bang, bump, and jerk the machine. Replace worn parts before they give out entirely.

Care after washing is most important. Release the wringer pressure the moment you finish wringing the clothes, then clean and dry both rollers. Wash the tub inside and out and wipe it dry. If the outside finish is synthetic enamel, wax it every few months to help preserve it.

Rural Life Problems

Have you wondered how to manage your Christmas candy making this year when you have less sugar than usual? Perhaps these recipes would help you.

Peanut Brittle
1 cup molasses
1 cup peanuts
1/2 cup melted butter.

Cook molasses and butter until well blended. Stir in peanuts and boil until the candy is brittle when tested in cold water. Pour into shallow, well buttered pan. Cut into bars as it begins to harden.

Molasses Kisses
2 cups molasses
1/4 cup butter
1/4 cup vinegar.

Melt butter and add molasses; when it begins to boil, stir constantly, frequently testing by dropping a small amount into cold water. When brittle, add vinegar and pour into buttered pan. When cooled, pull until a golden color, and cut the ropes into 1-inch pieces.

Old-Fashioned Molasses Taffy
1 1/4 cups sorghum
3/4 cup sugar
1 tablespoon vinegar
1 tablespoon butter
1/4 teaspoon soda.

Combine sorghum, sugar, and vinegar, and cook to 270 degrees or soft crack stage. Stir occasionally to prevent burning. Remove from heat, add butter, soda, and salt. Stir enough to blend. When cool enough to handle, pull between ungreased finger tips until firm and light in color. Cut into pieces and wrap in wax paper.

Community News From Cole Camp

Mrs. Henry T. Junge
Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Varner and son, Oren Lee, of Windsor, visited Sunday in the home of Mr. Varner's sister, Mrs. Paul Balke, and Mr. Balke.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hessefort spent several days the past week in Russellville with relatives and friends.

Alfred Harms, of Pittsburg, Kas., is visiting with his sister, Mrs. August Meier, and Mr. Meier. Mr. and Mrs. Ted Gardner and Mrs. Kate Bashor, of Sedalia, visited Friday evening in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Gardner.

G. C. Mabry and Mrs. Lena Dump visited in Marshall Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Benie Dump.

Mr. and Mrs. August Meier, Alfred Harms (Pittsburg, Kas.), and Mrs. Anna Palmer visited in Sedalia Saturday in the home of Mr. Meier's sister, Mrs. George Concer and Mr. Concer, and in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Farris.

The following guests were invited to a pot luck supper Friday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Gardner in honor of Mr. Gardner's birthday anniversary: Mrs. Ted Brauer, of Bellflower, Calif.; Mr. and Mrs. Ted Gardner and Mrs. Kate Bashor, of Sedalia; Mr. and Mrs. Paul Balke; Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Eckhoff and daughter, Kathleen, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Carpenter, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Eding, Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Hunter, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Drake, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Brauer, Mrs. Harry Bay, Mrs. Homer Owens, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Bemis, Miss Lillie Kreisel, Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Junge, Mr. and Mrs. Henry T. Junge, Joe and Luther Kreisel, Owen, Eding, and Robert Owens, and Mr. and Mrs. Herman Gardner. The chief diversion of the evening was conversation.

Miss Dorothy Delice Heisterberg, employed in Sedalia, spent the week end with her parents and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Heisterberg, and Fay La Vere.

The following people spent Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Grube in honor of Mr. Grube's birthday anniversary: Mr. and Mrs. Henry Grube, Mr. and Mrs. William Kreisel and son, Amos, Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Eckhoff, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Eckhoff, and Mr. and Mrs. George Kreisel.

Mrs. Rena Spurgeon returned home the past week from a visit at Palmyra, with her daughter, Mrs. Marion Ellis, Mr. Ellis, and daughter, and in St. Louis with her daughter, Mrs. A. A. Wahlbrink, Mr. Wahlbrink, and daughter. She also visited at Herman

should be in place ready for the next wash. Leave the tub lid slightly ajar. Cover it over to guard against dirt and dampness. Proper care will help you to make your machine last longer and will help save rubber, metal, factories, and labor for tanks, guns, and planes.

Many Farms Being Vacated Are Added To Other Tracts

Shifts In Farm Practices As Help Is Scarcer And Wages Advanced

A few weeks ago the Missouri College of Agriculture conducted a survey in various communities in the state in order to obtain a true picture of conditions, particularly those having to do with farm labor. The Glover school district in the Quisenberry community of Pettis County is included in this survey.

The report dealing with a part of the survey shows that the number of farm operators decreased more than 11% during this year. However, this does not mean that such a large percentage of farms will be idle next year. Actually, those taking part in the survey estimate that only 4% of the farms will be idle, which indicates many of the vacated farms are being absorbed into other farms.

Close-out sales of farms jumped greatly during this year with a 360% increase reported by farmers. The 131 communities estimated that 736 male workers and 130 female workers had left to take part in military service, war industries, and other activities during the year.

Community News From Fortuna

By MRS. EVA SHORES

Relatives here have received word of the marriage of Private George Tom Thixton, son of Jess Thixton and Miss Mildred Kasper daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Kasper of Tipton. Private Thixton is located at Ft. Warren, Wyoming.

Mrs. E. M. Hays entertained the W. S. C. S. of the Methodist church at her home Wednesday. The members enjoyed their Christmas party.

Mr. Elvin Lehman of California and Miss Elma Lehman were dinner guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Carter and daughters.

Mrs. Arabelle Petree has received an announcement of the birth of a great grandson born to her granddaughter and grandson, Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Holland of Detroit, Mich., to which the name Johnnie Brooks has been given.

Mrs. Holland will be remembered as the former Miss Alma Dobson formerly of Fortuna, Mr. and Mrs. Holland have a daughter two years old.

Mr. and Mrs. James Devine who received a telegram last week stating that their son Private Earl Devine was seriously wounded in battle on New Guinea have received two letters from their son who has been taken to a hospital and is recovering nicely.

Mrs. Alpha Charles accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Preston Hutchinson and son Larry to Sedalia Saturday night where they were guests over the week end of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Welty.

Mr. and Mrs. Ora Akins of Sedalia were guests Sunday of the parents Mr. and Mrs. James Fowler.

Mrs. Chloe Wilson received word that her aunt, Mrs. Nannie Kays, of Jefferson City has passed away. Burial was made in the Versailles cemetery December 15th.

The Baptist and Methodist church will have their Christmas program Thursday evening Dec. 24th.

Mr. and Mrs. John Carter and daughter Kay were guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Errel Hayes.

Junior Scott left Wednesday for Ft. Leavenworth, Kansas, where he will be inducted into the army.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Gates and small son have moved to the property in Fortuna of the late Henry Carson from the farm of James Briscoe.

Mrs. E. L. Sote, Mrs. Chloe Wilson and Miss Marian Lamert were shopping in Jefferson City Saturday.

The most frequently made suggestion for improving the labor shortage situation on farms included exemption from the draft of experienced farm workers. Other suggestions made by varying number of communities included higher prices for farm products, increasing allotment of improved farm machinery and of repair part, using more high school boys from the community, and lengthening the industrial week so it would more nearly coincide with that of farm workers.

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Senior Scout Conference In Jefferson City

Mike Wolfel, Of Sedalia, On Program

Study and discussion of war time activities for Senior Scouts, young men 15 years of age and over, will take place at the first Senior Scout Conference of the Lake of the Ozarks Council to be held at Jefferson City, Monday, December 28. The event is sponsored by the Metab Chapter of the Order of the Arrow, National Honor Camp Society.

The conference will get under way at 11 a. m. with a general discussion, and outline of the conference plan. From 11:15 to 12:15 the meeting will be devoted to demonstration and discussion of opportunities Senior Scouts have in working with the Cub, younger boy program, under the direction of Mike Wolfel of Pack 56 of Sedalia. At 1:30, the new air scout program will be explained with methods of adopting it to the troop program. Richard Arens, Scoutmaster of Troop 1 of Jefferson City will be in charge.

Sea Scout Program
The Emergency Service and Messenger Service Programs will be discussed and demonstrated by L. R. Mull and Scouts of Troop 20, California, and Skipper Lisle Jeffrey and Sea Scouts of Ship 13, Jefferson City. The veteran Skipper, Albert Bellamy and Sea Scouts of Ship 30, Versailles will then present the Sea Scouting Program.

At 6:30 a dinner will be held at which Colonel Stanley Ginn of the State Highway Patrol will be the principal speaker. Sergeant Johnson will demonstrate jujitsu. The Order of the Arrow Program will be explained by Rev. David Eaton, Order of the Arrow Advisor and Chairman of the Council Senior Scout Committee, and a general discussion of Senior Scouting in war time will be led by Scout Executive, C. G. Morrison.

Following the banquet Sea Scout Ship No. 13 of Jefferson City will sponsor a Sea Scout Ball and Bridge of Honor to which all Senior Scouts and their leaders are invited. Awards will be presented to Senior Scouts. Bill Ellis of Jefferson City is president of Metab Lodge, Order of the Arrow, and John Opel is Chairman of the Conference Committee.

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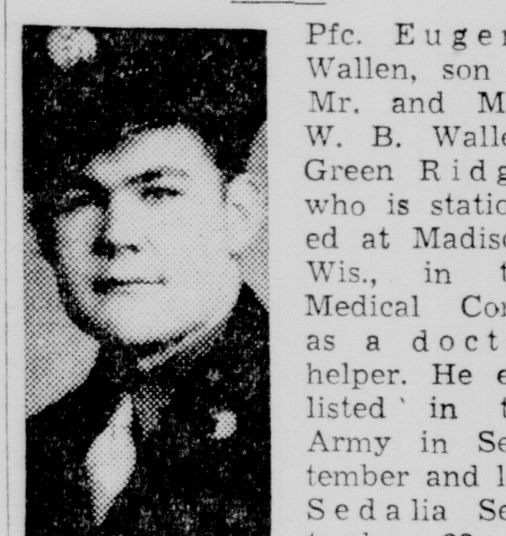
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Captain J. W. McAdams, son of J. W. McAdams, of the St. Francis hotel, who is somewhere in Africa. Captain McAdams was living in Lancaster, S. C. before he entered the army, but he was reared in Sedalia where he is well known. He is in the engineering department.



Pfc. Eugene Wallen, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Wallen, Green Ridge, who is stationed at Madison, Wis., in the Medical Corps as a doctor helper. He enlisted in the Army in September and left Sedalia September 22.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie C. Fry, of Fortuna, recently received word from their eldest son, C. Norman Fry, A.M.M. 3-c, stating that he has been transferred from Jacksonville, Fla., to a newly commissioned base near Pensacola.

Clay Schroeder, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Schroeder of Beaman, who is in the U. S. Navy, stationed at San Diego, Calif., has completed a two-month course at an internal combustion engine school with average grades of 94.25. He will have a further two months course. He enlisted August 15. His wife, the former Miss Naomi McFee of Longwood, is in San Diego and is employed at Consolidated Aircraft.

Two more Sedalians have entered the service of the United States Navy and are to be sent to one of the four naval training stations for their "boot" training. The new Bluejackets are Darius Fisher Pickett, son of D. F. Pickett, Sr., 523 East Thirteenth street, and Charles Robert Craig, of 712 1/2 South Ohio avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Johnson, Smithton received a letter from their son Boyd Johnson written Nov. 25th saying he had landed with the service men some where in Africa, in October, and was all right.

Schell Bodenhammer, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Bodenhammer, Smithton, who was inducted into the service recently has been stationed at Camp Beale, California, for the present.

PFC. Joseph A. Martin, from Camp McCoy in Wisconsin, is home on a furlough for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Martin, of 409 South Montgomery avenue, and friends here.

Cecil L. Sanders, 19 years old, son of Mrs. Ada G. Sanders, of 924 South Kentucky avenue, Sedalia, has enlisted as a naval aviation cadet in the United States Naval Reserve and been sworn in at the Kansas City Naval Aviation Cadet Selection board. He was graduated from the Smith-Cotton high school in 1941, where he was a member of the football team.

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Sanders will report to one of the four U. S. Navy pre-flight schools for three months of physical conditioning, instruction in naval essentials, military drill and ground school subjects. After completing this course, he will be sent to one of the navy's numerous reserve bases for primary flight training.

James F. Hazel, third class carpenter mate, United States Navy, has notified his mother, Mrs. M. G. Hazel, 600 East Broadway his new station is at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. He entered the service in August, 1942.

Sailor Hazel was home several weeks ago on a furlough to visit his parents.

Monologue On Events Of History

"Panorama of American Patriotism" was the title of the program presented at the December meeting of Bryson P. T. A. by a committee composed of Mrs. Milford Lewis, J. Ross Marshall, and Arnold George. Mrs. Lewis, acting as chairman, gave a monologue describing stirring events of American history.

The climax in the program was reached when Mrs. Lewis spoke of the birth of our nation. The children of the school, led by Uncle Sam, Miss Liberty, and Old Glory, marched to the platform carrying flags. Raising their flags, they recited the Preamble to the Constitution of the United States, followed by the singing of "America".

During pauses in Mrs. Lewis' monologue, the audience sang "The Star Spangled Banner" and "Battle Hymn of the Republic". Maxine Gregory recited "The Landing of the Pilgrims", and Mary E. George recited "America for Me".

When on the subject of World War I, Mrs. Lewis presented Mr. Marshall, who spoke of his experiences in France. He is a prominent member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars organization in this state. His speech was entitled "Headlines of the Last War", in which he outlined the progress of the present war.

Mrs. Lewis presented a service flag with three blue stars, representing the three boys of Bryson district now in army camps. They are William Warren, Emory Williams, and Roy D. Johnson.

Following the meeting, a contributive supper was served. Christmas boxes were packed to send to the three above mentioned soldiers.

Mrs. Earl B. Hinken is teacher of the school.

Visit Mother In Bothwell Hospital

Mr. and Mrs. David Powell of Kansas City, will return home today after visiting with his mother, Mrs. W. H. Powell, who fell Monday morning at her home, 702 1/2 South Kentucky avenue, fracturing her left hip. She is a patient at Bothwell hospital, and is recovering satisfactorily.

Her son was en route to Sedalia on business Monday morning when he received word, while stopping at the Sedalia Army Air Field, of his mother's injury. Mr. Powell will return to Sedalia in several days. His wife came to Sedalia Tuesday.

Christmas Party Next Monday Night

The Queen City Council No. 564 Security Benefit Association, will have the annual Christmas party at 412 1/2 South Ohio avenue Monday evening, December 21. There will be treats for the children. Each member is asked to bring a ten-cent gift for the gift exchange. The evening will be spent in dancing.

Miss Barbara Collier Takes New Position

Miss Barbara Collier, who for the past three years has been switchboard operator at the Bothwell hospital has resigned and has accepted a position at the Sedalia Army Air Field, where she will start to work Monday, December 21.

Escaped Plane Crash



Mrs. Dorothy Crouse and her two-months-old daughter, Barbara (above) fled to safety from their farm home near St. Louis which caught fire after an army bomber crashed and burned in the yard.

Rommel's Duty To Sacrifice To Gain Time

(Continued from page one)
must slow the progress of the Eighth Army somewhat since these dangerous explosives must be removed before traffic can pass.

Also, the further the British advance from their main bases the greater is the problem of transport although, as I previously have reported, the Eighth Army has performed wonders in the organization of transport.

Marvel of War
That Montgomery should be able to move his supplies across hundreds of miles of desert and strike so soon must remain one of the marvels of World War II. How long Rommel can keep up his delaying tactics is purely a matter of guesswork.

Probably he himself has small idea. There is one thing his mines will not halt and that is the merciless bombardment to which he is subjected day and night by the British and American air forces. There is no escape for the unhappy axis troops and their transport, for whichever way they go those all-seeing warships of the air are after them.

By the way, our American airmen are continuing to do a grand job along with their British colleagues.

So, while British infantry and transport may have to slow up some because of mines, there really will be little loss to the allies.

Taking Enemy Toll
While Sappers are removing the mines and supplies are moving up, the allied air force will be exacting a terrible toll among the retreating enemy.

The result will be that as the British army advances it will move as a well-coordinated and well-supplied unit ready for anything.

It is likely that Rommel may hope to make some sort of stand in the great wadis or gorges which lie ahead. That probably will depend on whether he can escape the bloody pounding of the allied air forces which never sleep and never let him sleep.

The commonest mines which the Germans are employing are circular steel cases about a foot in diameter and four inches thick. On top is a plunger which will move downward when a certain weight is applied to it and explode the mine. Most of them are set so that the plunger works when the wheel of an ordinary motor car passes over it.

The explosion is sufficient to wreck a truck and obviously endangers the life of anyone in the vehicle.

Discs of Death
These discs of death are buried in the roadways and, especially, on the sides of roads where vehicles have to turn out for passing traffic. They are thoroughly nasty affairs for it may happen that 20 cars will pass over one of them without harm, thus encouraging other cars to follow, and then the twenty-first will catch it.

The other day I motored over a piece of road from which, subsequently, 14 mines were extracted.

The removal of these mines is a job which calls for scientific knowledge, skill and, above all, extreme bravery.

We don't hear much about the sappers who go about digging up explosives but they are among the greatest heroes of the war for they risk terrible death every time they lie down on their bellies and start digging cautiously for a mine which has been located.

The location of the mines is done with delicate instruments which are unerring.

Once the detector has given its warning, the sappers start digging for trouble.

Sergeant Foster Goes To Fort Leavenworth Today

Technical Sergeant Tom Foster, clerk at the City Light and Traction Co., has been called to duty and reported at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, this morning. Sergeant Foster is in the signal corps of the United States Army.

Society and Clubs

The annual Christmas meeting of the Osage chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution will be held at 2:30 o'clock Saturday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Frank S. Leach, 522 West Seventh street.

Mrs. L. E. Heffernan will be in charge of the program entitled, "We Have Seen His Star in the East."

Assisting hostesses will be Miss Rebie Snaeffler, Mrs. Lula Buell, Mrs. I. E. Dey, Mrs. W. D. O'Bannon and Mrs. P. L. Strole. Members are reminded to bring canned goods to be given to the Melita Day nursery.

The Priscilla club will meet at the home of Mrs. T. W. Augur, Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock 900 South Grand avenue.

The Sedalia Stephens College club will meet for a Christmas party at a 1:30 o'clock luncheon Saturday at the home of Mrs. Fred Lange, 917 West Third street. Mrs. L. J. Banner and Miss Jeanne Ott will be assisting hostesses. There will be an exchange of gifts.

Miss Bernice McMackin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. McMackin, 1304 West Main street, and Staff Sergeant George W. Chester, son of Mr. Edward Chester, of Montrose, S. D., were married at 9 o'clock Tuesday evening by Rev. A. W. Kokenodoff, pastor of the First Christian church at his home on South Ohio avenue.

The bride was attired in an aqua blue street-length dress with tan accessories. Miss McMackin, now Mrs. Chester, was born and reared in Sedalia graduating from Smith-Cotton high school in 1937. Sergeant Chester was born and reared in Montrose where his father is a merchant. For some time he has been stationed at the Sedalia Army Air Field but has been transferred to Texas and the young couple will make their home in Austin, Tex.

The Fortnightly Book club held its annual Christmas party Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. E. Cannaday, Fifth street and Park avenue, with ten members present.

A program, with Mrs. C. F. Ernst in charge, was presented which was opened with the singing of "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing." A Christmas story was read by Miss Minnie Shaffer, which was followed by the singing of "Silent Night." Mrs. Cannaday gave in an interesting manner, one of David Grayson's Christmas stories.

After the gift exchange, cards were written to five absentee members of the club and a card from Miss Mary Butterfield, former member of the club and now of Sidney, O., was passed around. The feature of the decorations in the home was a bouquet of red carnations, red tinted pine cones and poinsettias.

Refreshments were served by the hostess in the late afternoon.

The Mozart Music club had its Christmas recital at the home of the teacher, Mrs. Jewell Harter Thomas, 401 Dal-Whi-Mo Court Tuesday evening. The house was decorated with Christmas wreaths and bells and a large tree stood by the window. The program was opened by singing "Jingle Bells." Mrs. Thomas told how Christmas was celebrated in different lands. The following program was given: "Christmas Chimes"—Yvonne Bohon.

"Christmas Tree"—Marie Vandermerwe.

"Candle Glow"—Betty Vandermerwe.

"O Sanctissima"—Gene Wells.

"Faithful Pine"—Ruth Ann Keuper.

"Christmas Chimes"—Beryl Leigh Evans.

"Can't Fool Santa"—Jean Swegles.

"Star of the Sea"—Claude Boul.

"Dashing Through the Snow"—Tommy Keating.

"Silent Night"—Donna Rae Knerl.

Duet—"Jingle Bells"—Bobby and Billy Zoernig.

"Silent Night, Holy Night"—Virginia Thomas.

"Christmas Medley"—Bobby Zoernig.

"Jesu Bantino"—Hazel Kirkpatrick.

"Christmas Melody"—Billy Zoernig.

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Mr. Snider also asked that all those who have pennies and nickels saved to put them in circulation, as they are needed in the war effort. The program chairman, Mrs. Charles Rages led in community singing the following songs, Silent Night, America the Beautiful, Joy To The World.

The president of the Student Council, Miss Betty Reams, presented W. C. Winning, director of USO in Sedalia, with \$10 for that organization, and Mrs. Lon Slaton, chairman of the Hughesville Red Cross with \$50.00, part of the money realized from the scrap drive. Mr. Winning, gave a very interesting and inspiring talk on the USO.

Two one-act plays, directed by Mr. Snider, Gratitude and Moonshine, were given by the following members of his speech class: Jeannie Landers, Margaret Rages, Betty Page McClure, Barbara

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Cook "Favorites" For Boys On Leave

By MRS. GAYNOR MADDOX
NEA Service Staff Writer

When your soldier sons, husbands or brothers return for a Christmas leave, give them all the "favorites" they hope to find. They are well fed in the Army and Navy. So what they want at home is something very different, something even the Army and Navy chow doesn't offer. Here are two popular sweets for the boys in uniform.

Chocolate Cream Pie (Serves 6)

Two squares unsweetened chocolate, 2 cups milk or diluted evaporated milk, 3/4 cup granulated sugar, 1/4 cup cornstarch, 1/2 teaspoon salt, 2 egg yolks, 1 teaspoon grated orange rind, 1 teaspoon almond extract, 1 baked pastry shell.

Shave chocolate; combine with 1 1/2 cups milk in top of double boiler. Heat until chocolate is melted. Mix sugar, cornstarch and salt with remaining 1/2 cup milk; add to melted chocolate mixture. Cook over boiling water until mixture thickens, stirring constantly. Beat egg yolks slightly and slowly pour chocolate mixture over them. Return to double boiler, add grated orange rind and cook 2 minutes longer. Add almond extract; pour into baked pastry shell. Cool. Before serving, spread layer of whipped cream over top. Then sound the mess call.

Rhubarb And Strawberry Pie (9-inch pie)

Four cups quick frozen rhubarb, cut in 1-inch pieces (about 2 pounds), 2 cups quick-frozen strawberries, 1/2 cup white corn syrup, 1/2 cup honey or white corn syrup, 1/2 cup flour, 1/2 teaspoon salt, 2 teaspoons lemon juice, 1 egg, well beaten, 1 recipe for pastry.

Mix together rhubarb, strawberries and white corn syrup. Mix together the remaining ingredients; pour over the fruit and mix well. Pour this fruit mixture in pastry-lined pie plate. Cover with pastry strips, weaving them in and out to make a lattice effect. Attach the ends firmly to edge of pie crust. Bake in moderately hot oven (375 degrees F.) about 45 minutes or until fruit is tender. Cool. Serve with cheese.

Tomorrow's Menu

Breakfast: Grapefruit juice, ready-to-eat wholewheat cereal, scrambled eggs, crisp bacon, enriched toast, jam coffee (or substitute), milk.

Luncheon: Beef and barley soup with vegetables, enriched



For a delicious addition to cauliflower, try a cheese sauce with almonds.

Modern Menus

Christmas Calls For These Dishes
By MRS. GAYNOR MADDOX
NEA Service Staff Writer

Fruit cake with a sprig of holly on it certainly belongs in the Christmas picture despite war and turmoil. And an old-fashioned pudding, simple to make and even easier to eat, should be on hand, too. This delicious old-time dessert recipe and Christmas menu come from "What's New in Foods and Nutrition."

Grandmother's Cracker Crumb Pudding (Serves 6)

Two cups milk, scalded, 4 soda crackers, 1/2 cup sugar, 1/4 teaspoon salt, 1 teaspoon cinnamon, 1 cup raisins, 1 cup cream or undiluted evaporated milk, 2 eggs, well beaten, 1 tablespoon butter, melted, 1 teaspoon vanilla.

Pour scalded milk over crackers. Cover and stand until cool. Combine sugar, salt and cinnamon. Add to milk mixture; add remaining ingredients in order given. Blend thoroughly; turn into buttered baking dish. Place baking dish in pan of hot water and bake in slow oven (300 deg. F.) 1 1/4 hours. Cool and serve with ice cream sauce on top, or with thick cream.

Berkshire Christmas Fruit Cake (Makes 5 1/2 lbs.)

Three and one-half cups sifted flour, 1 teaspoon combination baking powder, 1 teaspoon salt, 1/2 teaspoon cloves, 1 teaspoon cinnamon, 1/2 teaspoon mace, 1 cup butter or other shortening, 1 cup sugar, 6 eggs, well beaten, 4 1/2 cups raisins, 4 1/2 cups currants, 1 cup thinly cut citron, 1/4 cup grape juice, 3/4 cup light molasses.

Sift flour once, measure, add baking powder, salt, and spices, sift together three times. Cream butter thoroughly, add sugar gradually, and cream together until light and fluffy. Add fruit, grape juice and molasses, and mix well. Add flour gradually, beating after each addition until smooth. Turn into tube pan, which has been greased, lined with heavy paper, and greased again. Bake in slow oven (250 deg. F.) 4 1/2 hours.

Tomorrow's Menu

BREAKFAST: Tomato juice, wholewheat bread crumb griddle cakes, honey, country sausage, coffee (or substitute), milk.

LUNCHEON: Toasted cheese sandwiches on enriched bread, cole slaw, chocolate cornstarch pudding, tea, milk.

CHRISTMAS DINNER: Fruit cocktail, cheese crackers, celery curls, ripe and green olives, roast turkey, stuffing, minted apples, baked cranberry sauce, whipped potatoes, stuffed baked onions, buttered carrots, hot rolls, Christmas salad, grandmother's cracker crumb pudding, ice cream sauce, milk, coffee.

Meeting Friday Of County Pension Club

The Old Age Pension club of Missouri, Pettis county chapter, will hold a meeting at the Woodman-Maccabee hall, 412 1/2 South Ohio avenue at 2 o'clock Friday afternoon. Reverend Walter F. Arnold, pastor of the East Sedalia Baptist church, will be the speaker.

Mrs. W. L. Lewis will sing several numbers accompanied by Mrs. Frank Piper.

Modern Menus

"Full Dinner Pail" Must Guard Health
By MRS. GAYNOR MADDOX
NEA Service Staff Writer

The meat-sharing program does not threaten the strength and health of men and women who work hard in war plants, according to Dr. Robert S. Goodhart, technical adviser, Nutrition in Industry, Office of Defense Health and Welfare.

But a man doing heavy work must eat in his lunch box and at home, not only his 2 1/2 pounds of restricted meats a week, but also sufficient amounts of milk, cheese, eggs, poultry, fish, liver, tongue, kidneys, whole grain cereals, enriched bread, butter or margarine, dried beans and peas, soybeans, peanuts, fruits and vegetables.

Here are some lunch-box sandwich suggestions which provide those essential nutrients that do not interfere with the vitally important share-the-meat program.

Fish Spread

One quarter pound flaked fresh or frozen cooked fish, 1/4 cup chopped celery, salt, 1 chopped dill pickle, mayonnaise. Mix and spread on buttered whole-grain or enriched white bread.

Egg and Vegetable Spread

Three hard-cooked eggs, diced, 1 cup shredded raw cabbage, 1/4 teaspoon salt, 1/4 cup salad dressing, 1/2 cup chopped pimento, 1/2 cup diced celery, 1 tablespoon chopped onion.

Combine ingredients. Makes enough for 3 sandwiches.

Kidney Bean Salad Spread

Two and one-half cups cooked kidney beans, 3/4 cup, chopped sweet pickles, 2 sliced hard-cooked eggs, 1/2 cup chopped celery, 1/2 cup fresh or evaporated milk, 1/4 cup vinegar drained from pickles.

Combine beans, pickles, eggs and celery lightly with fork. Mix milk and vinegar and add to mixture. Spread on lettuce on buttered whole-grain or enriched white bread.

Crunchy Creamed Dried Beef (Serves 4)

One-half cup almonds, 1/4 cup butter or margarine, 1/4 cup flour, 2 cups milk, 4 ounces dried beef, 4 slices toast.

Blanch, toast and chop almonds. Melt butter, add flour, mix well.

Remove from heat, add milk gradually, stirring until well blended. Cook, stirring constantly until thickened. Add shredded, dried beef and almonds. Heat thoroughly. Serve on toast triangles.

Here's a good winter vegetable dish to add to your collection. Buttered Steamed Turnips With Onions

One bunch white turnips, 4-6 onions, 2 tbs. butter, salt and pepper.

Peel and slice turnips and onions very thin. Cook slowly in butter in covered saucepan until tender. Season with salt and pepper. A tablespoon or two of water may be added if necessary to prevent browning.

Monday's Menu

Breakfast: Baked apples, oatmeal, crisp bacon, toast, coffee, milk.

Luncheon: Spinach casserole, enriched hard rolls, cup custard, tea, milk.

Dinner: Grapefruit, ground round steak patties, fried potatoes, buttered turnips and onions, lettuce salad, fruit sauce on toasted left-over sponge cake, coffee milk.

Tomorrow's Menu

BREAKFAST: Tangerines, broiled kidney, whole-grain toast, tart jelly, coffee (or substitute), milk.

LUNCHEON: Rice tomato soup in cups, kidney bean spread sandwiches, peanut butter and carrot sandwiches, apple sauce, tea, milk.

CHRISTMAS DINNER: Cream of celery soup, roast turkey, dressing and giblet gravy, cranberry sauce, mashed potatoes, green beans, baked corn, head lettuce with French dressing, hot rolls, mince pie candy, coffee.

Use Left-Over Spinach For Luncheon Souffle

By MRS. GAYNOR MADDOX
NEA Service Staff Writer

Use left-over spinach to make a substantial Monday luncheon souffle.

Spinach Casserole (Serves 6)

Three cups cooked spinach, 4 tablespoons minced onion, 1/2 teaspoon salt, 1/4 teaspoon pepper, 2 eggs slightly beaten, 1 cup milk, 1/2 cup dry bread crumbs, 2 tablespoons butter.

Combine spinach, onion, salt, and pepper. Stir eggs into milk and add to spinach mixture. Pour into greased casserole, sprinkle with crumbs, dot with butter and bake in hot oven (450 degrees F.) about 15 minutes or until brown. Garnish with hard cooked eggs if desired.

Crunchy Creamed Dried Beef (Serves 4)

One-half cup almonds, 1/4 cup butter or margarine, 1/4 cup flour, 2 cups milk, 4 ounces dried beef, 4 slices toast.

Blanch, toast and chop almonds. Melt butter, add flour, mix well.

Students Home From Yale For Holidays

Atwill L. Bohling, Jr., a student at Yale university, New Haven, Conn., arrived home Wednesday night to spend the Christmas holidays with his father, Atwill L. Bohling, 1501 South Kentucky avenue.

He will resume his studies January 7 and will complete his second college year the first of February.

His roommate, James Powell, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Powell of Kansas City, former Sedalians, is expected to arrive there this evening.

John C. Short Will Entertain 4-H Club

The 4-H Young America At Work club meeting of Flat Creek Community was held December 11. After a business meeting, in which the corn and poultry project leaders made reports, games were played.

The next meeting will be at the home of John C. Short, January 3.

The group plans to go "caroling" December 23, and at that time, a Christmas party will be given at the home of Bob Wadley.

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HORIZONTAL
1,6 Pictured U. S. official.
11 Robs.
12 Beetle.
14 Tarnish.
15 Belief.
17 Limbs.
19 Spring harvest in India.
20 Indo-Chinese language.
22 Symbol for erbium.
24 Large cask.
25 Large antelope.
27 Foundations.
29 Yes (Sp.).
30 Dined.
31 Guides.
35 Cubic meters.
38 He is director of the U. S. Office of Information.
39 Male fowl.
41 Born.
43 Grandparental.
45 Central American.

VERTICAL
1 Star name.
2 Hawaiian.

Answer to Previous Puzzle
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HAMMOTT MINTS
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tree (pl.).
46 Maple.
47 Sodium carbonate (pl.).
49 Greek letter.
50 Censure.
51 Tenant.
53 Swamp.
55 Bamboo-like grasses.
56 Portion.

garlands.
3 Male.
4 Cloth measure.
5 Royal Society (abbr.).
6 From.
7 Symbol for aluminum.
8 Large tub.
9 Passage (anat.).
10 Upper house of Congress.
11 Straggler (Scot.).

13 Type of puzzle.
14 Perched.
16 Vital metal.
18 Deductions.
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The Batting Averages In National Drop

League Average .249, Drop Of Nine Points Compared With 1941

By Judson Bailey

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—(AP)—Batting averages in the National league are shrinking toward the vanishing point, the official figures showed today.

The 1942 records just released by league president, Ford Frick, disclosed that the combined hitting of all the 265 players who took part in the senior circuit's games last season was .249, a decline of nine points from 1941 and a drop of 23 points in the last three years.

Ernie Lombardi of the Boston Braves, who bagged the batting title for the second time in his career, finished with a .330 mark, 13 points less than the champion-

ship pace of Brooklyn's Pete Reiser in 1941.

Cardinals Also Drop

Similarly, the St. Louis Cardinals, who had the best club average in the league, had to be content with .268, four points less than the Dodgers of the year before.

In 1939 the Cardinals clouted at a .294 clip and the league averaged .272. But the following year the league dropped to .264 and the Pittsburgh Pirates, leading batters as a club, averaged .276.

The continued decline has become such a problem that Warren Giles, general manager of the Cincinnati Reds, asked the major leagues at the recent meetings in Chicago to provide for the manufacture of a livelier ball. He didn't get an endorsement of his proposal, but he did get named to a committee along with Commissioner Landis and William Harbridge, president of the American league, to determine the specifications for next season's official ball.

American league batting records have not yet been released, but Giles said the combined average in the junior circuit was down 22 points in the last three years.

300 Or Better Batters

This year only eight of the 78 batters who got into 75 or more games succeeded in batting .300 or better. Besides Lombardi they were Enos (Country) Slaughter of the Cardinals .318; his rookie teammate, Stan Musial .315; Reiser .310; John Mize, New York .305; and Stan Hack, Chicago, Joe Medwick, Brooklyn, and Lou Novikoff, Chicago, each .300. In addition Harry Walker of the Cardinals, who appeared in 74 games and was bracketed by the league with secondary players, hit .314.

Lombardi was given official recognition as the batting champion even though he went to bat only 309 times in 105 games. The big catcher batted .342 for 489 times at bat in 129 games to win the title and the league's most valuable player award in 1938 when he was with the Cincinnati Reds.

Slaughter, who had 591 trips to the plate in 152 games, had the most hits, 188, and led in total bases with 292, in triples with 17 and in singles with 127. Teammate Martin Marion was tops in doubles with 38.

Mel Ott, layer-manager of the New York Giants, led in home runs with 30 and scored the most runs, 118. It was his ninth year of scoring more than 100 runs, his eighth collection of 30 or more homers and his sixth year leading the league in home runs.

During the season Paul Waner of the Boston Braves collected his 3,000th hit to join a select group of six others who have passed this mark. All his predecessors are now in the hall of fame.

Seiling Prices Go On Bowling, Pool, Billiards

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—(AP)—Price Administrator Leon Henderson today ordered a general cut in the cost of bowling to the 16 million Americans who make it their regular or occasional recreation.

He also fixed a ceiling on charges for billiards and pool at March, 1942 levels. Soldiers, sailors and war workers by the thousands play the games, Henderson said, and the price order "will insure they are not overcharged for this recreation."

The bowling ceilings are based on September, 1941, charges plus an allowance for increases in the cost of balls and pins and in the pay of pin boys.

The legal maximum represents an average reduction over the country of one cent for every three games of league bowling, OPA said, and one half cent a game for "open," or regular bowling.

The highest price for league bowling shall be the highest charged in September, 1941, in each price class, plus 10 cents in the case of duck pins and candle pins, and seven cents in the case of ten pins, for each group of three games.

For open bowling the ceiling is fixed at the highest September, 1941, level, plus four cents in the case of duck pins, and three cents in the case of ten pins, for each game.

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Basketball Results

By The Associated Press

East

Pennsylvania 46, Philadelphia Coast Guard 38. Niagara 50, Cornell 35. George Washington 39, Oklahoma A. & M. 34.

Midwest

Great Lakes 67, St. Thomas (St. Paul) 44. Arkansas 40, Camp Crowder 29. Bethany 50, Friends 34. Oklahoma 42, Olathe Naval Air Base 39.

Ottawa 51, Bethel 31. Omaha 70, Fort Crook Motor Transport 18. Southern Illinois 47, Southeast Missouri 42.

Lawrence Tech 75, St. Mary's 27. North Central (Ill.) 41, Millikin 27.

Schools 59, Springfield (Mo.) Teachers 38. Nebraska Wesleyan 56, Dana 20.

Washburn 34, Warrensburg Teachers 26.

South

Mississippi 35, Florida 32.

Southwest

Texas 41, San Antonio Aviation Cadet Center 27.

West

Southern California 58, Pepperdine 38. Oregon State 41, Camp Adair 31.

Portland Boilermakers 45, Oregon 42.

Sports Roundup

BY HUGH FULLERTON, JR.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—(AP)—In keeping with that recently-revived idea of splitting the major baseball leagues into eastern and western groups, this corner offers a simple (and no cracks, now) solution to the manpower shortage in sports . . . It's merely to use fewer players on a side . . . Before you start giggling, remember that football started out with 25 men on a side, eventually was reduced to 11 and they say this six-man football played by schools that can't muster full teams isn't bad at all.

Hockey used to be a seven-man game and old-timers say it was improved by elimination of the "rover" . . . Basketball tried seven, eight and nine-man teams before settling on five and a few years ago lacrosse teams were whittled from 12 to 10 men . . . Of course, there might be a question as to how many fans would shell out \$3.30 to see six-man football or a buck for baseball without shortstops, but, heck, ain't this wartime?

Confusion Corner

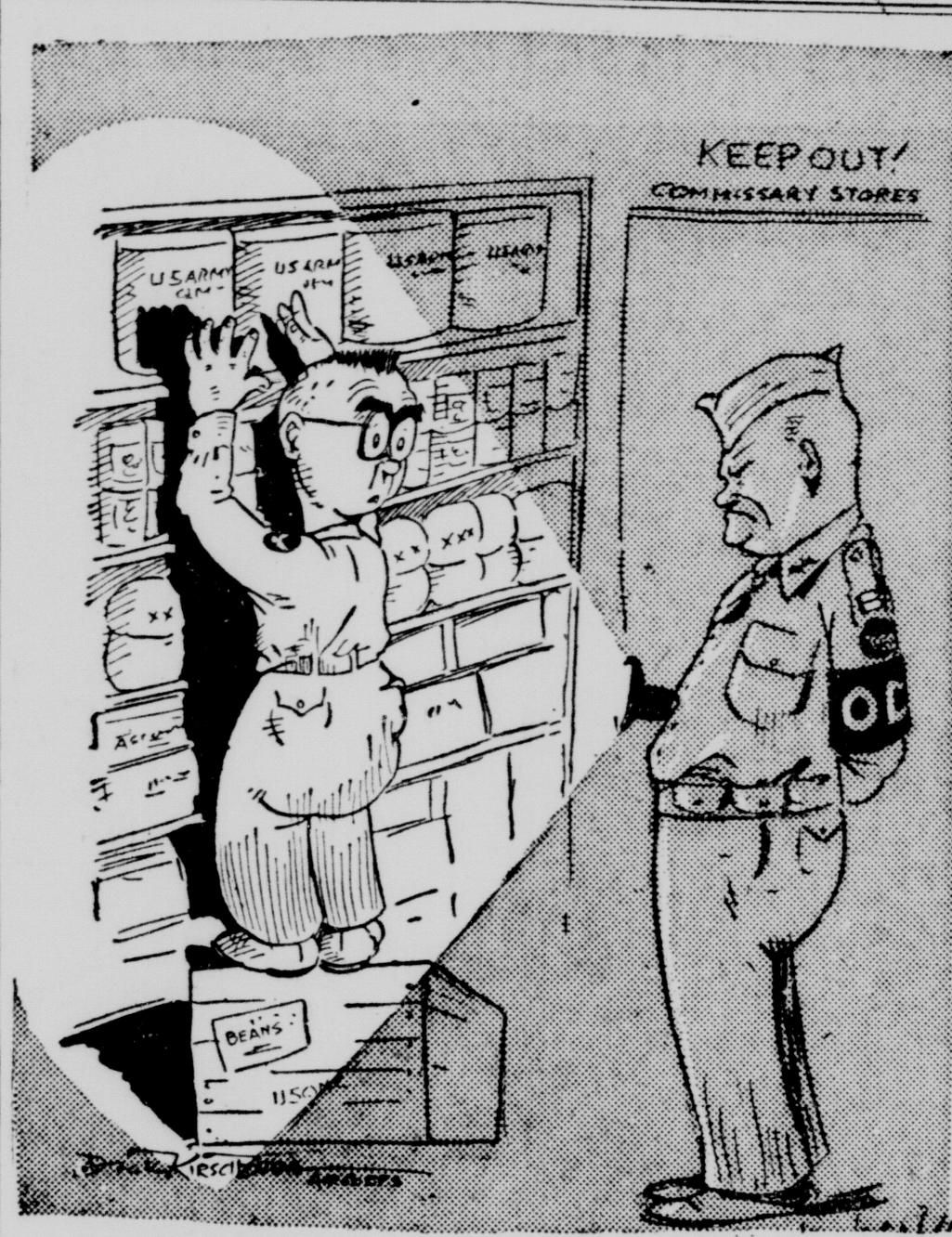
Last weekend, Terry Reardon played a professional hockey game Saturday afternoon, an amateur game that night and another pro game Sunday . . . and two of his appearances were for Montreal clubs visiting Boston, although Terry is the property of the Boston Bruins . . . Explanation is that Terry had been "loaned" to the Canadians because he couldn't get permission to leave Canada . . . Then, when he was about to enter the army, he was allowed a final fling across the border and to show his appreciation asked permission to play with the Montreal army team against the Boston Olympics.

Observation Post

The day before he fought Tami Mauriello, Lou Nova was promoted to first lieutenant in the California State Guard "on the firm conviction that you will win" . . . It didn't take Tami long to reduce him to rank.

One-Minute Sports Page

If Tippy Larkin beats Beau Jack for the lightweight "title" Friday, John J. Hall, New Jersey boxing commissioner, plans to send cards to fighters all over the country saying: "Do you want to be a champion? New Jersey is the place for you." . . . Before



"So you are only practicing a commando raid?"

he went into the army, Ken Fairman, Princeton's ex-graduate manager who has insisted on being a tank commander instead of a football player, told George Little of Rutgers, "We started all this; we ought to try to keep it going." . . . In case you don't remember, Princeton vs. Rutgers in 1869 was the first intercollegiate grid game . . . Because of travel restrictions, the dough collected to send the Tulsa U. band to the Sugar Bowl will be invested in war bonds to buy new uniforms after the war.

Today's Guest Star

Irv Kupcinet, Chicago Times: "Branch Rickey is the most ardent Dodger of all the Dodgers and his statement to the Montreal press in releasing Clyde Sukeforth sounded like Cicero's 'evasion of reason,' with plenty of evasion and little reason."

Service Dept.

Sir Harold Alexander, British commander in the middle east, was a good enough miller to win the Irish championship just before World War I . . . Seaman Tom Drake, former Brooklyn and Cleveland pitcher, won't have to dream about his white Christmas this year. He recently was transferred from the Norfolk Naval Training Station to Kodiak, Alaska. . . There'll be a lot of basketball scores to settle when the Corpus Christi Naval Air Station plays Texas U. Saturday.

Lieut. Jack Gray, the fliers coach, piloted the Longhorns for six years and will oppose his old tutor, Clyde Littlefield; the navy team includes Bob Kinney of Rice, Billy Dewell of Southern Methodist and John Dick, who helped Oregon beat Texas in 1939.

Walter W. Heffelfinger, 'Mr. Football,' Honored

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 17.—(AP)—Walter W. Heffelfinger was described last night at a gathering of 450 persons to honor him on his 75th birthday as the man who "has meant more to football than any other individual ever associated with it."

"He is Mr. Football himself," said Bo McMillen, head football coach at Indiana university, principal speaker at the dinner.

Heffelfinger, all-time All-America guard who played college football from 1888 to 1891 at Yale, responded that "nothing that ever happened to me in all my years touched me more than the party you have given me."

Gloria Allen Nations, No. 1 Girl Athlete

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—(AP)—The experts taking part in the Associated Press poll may not know their women athlete very well, but nobody can accuse them of not having an eye for pulchritude.

Asked to name their first, second and third choices of the outstanding women athletes of the fading year, the experts by an overwhelming vote selected beautiful Gloria Allen, the Nyack, N. Y., school girl swimmer, as No. 1, but from there on they were confused, to say the least.

Miss Allen, who holds 31 national swimming records, polled 135 points from the 67 sports writers who voted. She was named for first place in 38 of the ballots, with eight second-place votes and five votes for third.

In second place with a total of 67 points, and six first-place votes, was Pauline Betz, national women's tennis champion. Betty Jameson, golf star, placed third with 58 points. Miss Jameson gained 13 first-place votes.

Louise Brough, runnerup to Miss Betz in the national championships, was the only other athlete even to approach the leaders in point total. She received only one first-place vote but her point total was a respectable 26.

From there on everything was a little hazy to the experts, with names listed on ballots with abandon.

Two first-place votes apiece went to Helen Crlenkovich, national fancy diving champion, and Alice Marble, former amateur and pro tennis star, and single first-place votes went to Nancy Merki, swimmer; Sarah Palfrey Cooke, tennis player; Patty Berg, golfer; Babe Didrikson Zaharias, golfer; and Patsy McWhorter, swimmer.

Sports Mirror

By The Associated Press Today a year ago—Joe DiMaggio of New York Yankees was named "Athlete of the Year" in annual Associated Press poll.

Three years ago—Sam Snead won \$10,000 Miami Open Golf tournament with final round of 64 for 72-hole total of 271.

Five years ago—Don Budge and Alice Marble were ranked No. 1 among men and women tennis players of United States for 1937.

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SAAF Cagers To Play The Adco's Tonight

The Boys Come From The Troop Carrier Command; All-Stars

The 32nd Troop Carrier Command Squadron, of the Sedalia Army Air Field, is coming to Sedalia with its basketball team tonight to meet the Adco's on the "Y" court. The game is scheduled to take place at 8 o'clock, with the doors open to the public.

The visitors have a group of former university cage stars on their team. The visiting players will be Schupe, forward, of Indiana; U. Kagen, forward, of Southern California; Quakenbusch, guard of Purdue; Mickelson, guard of Northwestern; Ranum, sub. of Wisconsin; Kozarski, sub; Capalinski, sub, three high school players, and Coleman, St. Louis McKinley high, formerly with the Royal Hearts, United Service Car, which team played in the national tournament in Denver.

Many University Stars

A galaxy of star cagers should be an attraction to basketball fans and a large crowd is expected to be present.

The Adco's will be composed of Paige, forward; Blaine, forward; and Captain Pasley, forward; Van Dyne, Eakins and Baker, guards; Cole, center; Worthley, guard; Taylor and Emery, guards.

Taylor, Emery, Van Dyne and Pasley are former Smith-Cotton players. Many of the fans of several years back recall the action of the first three boys with the Tiger quintet.

Paige and Worthley are former Smithton high school players while Cole is a former Ottumwa "Hi" star, and Eakins and Baker have played considerable independent ball.

Marvin Blaine Captain

Blaine played with Knob Noster, and later with the Warrensburg State Teachers College team. The boys made a good choice in picking him to head their team. Arrangements have been made

at the "Y" gym to have Thursday nights open for just such games as this. Teams from the Sedalia Army Air Base have been invited to

meet one of the eight teams of the WPA recreational league. Teams out in the county are also invited to meet the Army teams at the "Y" on these nights.

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Insurance Men Assemble In District Meet

Announcement Is Made Of New Manager

At a recent meeting of the Sedalia district of the Metropolitan Life Insurance company, E. P. Arnatau, superintendent of agency, of New York, introduced John J. Donlon as new manager of the Sedalia district. Mr. Donlon assumed his duties December 14.

Mr. Donlon entered the company as agent at Boston, Mass., August 17, 1921 and after two years was promoted to assistant manager at Somerville, Mass. He was made manager of the Franklin, Missouri district, St. Louis, on August 28, 1928 and after thirteen months in this district, because of outstanding record was promoted to the large and responsible district at O'Fallon Park, St. Louis, September 15, 1929 and while in charge of this district won the territorial honors, receiving the veteran's trophy. He was transferred to Wyandotte district, Kansas City, Kas., in December, 1935 where he has been until now.

Brothers With Company
Mr. Donlon has four brothers as assistant managers in Boston, Mass., districts. He is past president of the Wyandotte Tuberculosis Association, past chairman of the Wyandotte County War Bonds salary deduction group, a member of the Kiwanis club, of the Life Underwriters Association.

Double Duty

DALHART, Tex.—The advanced glider here has its dollar - and - a - dime - a - month man.

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tion and General Agents and Managers Association.

Mr. Donlon and Mrs. Donlon have three children, Henry Francis, who is an aviation cadet in the United States Army stationed at San Antonio, Tex., Virginia M., and John J. Jr.

Attending the Sedalia district meeting were Connie Lane, St. Louis, supervisor; Webster W. Conley, who has been acting manager of this district in the absence of Riley G. Cunningham, 720 West Fifth street, who is now on retirement; seventeen agents, three assistant managers; the local assistant manager, James Denny and four local agents, L. H. Hodges, C. F. Appel, H. R. Anderson and J. O. Latimer.

Is Fined On A Bad Check Charge

Harry Schumaker, of North Prospect avenue, in a trial in the justice court of J. C. Connor late Wednesday afternoon was fined \$5 and costs on a bad check charge and announced through his attorney, Harvey Dow, that he would appeal to a higher court.

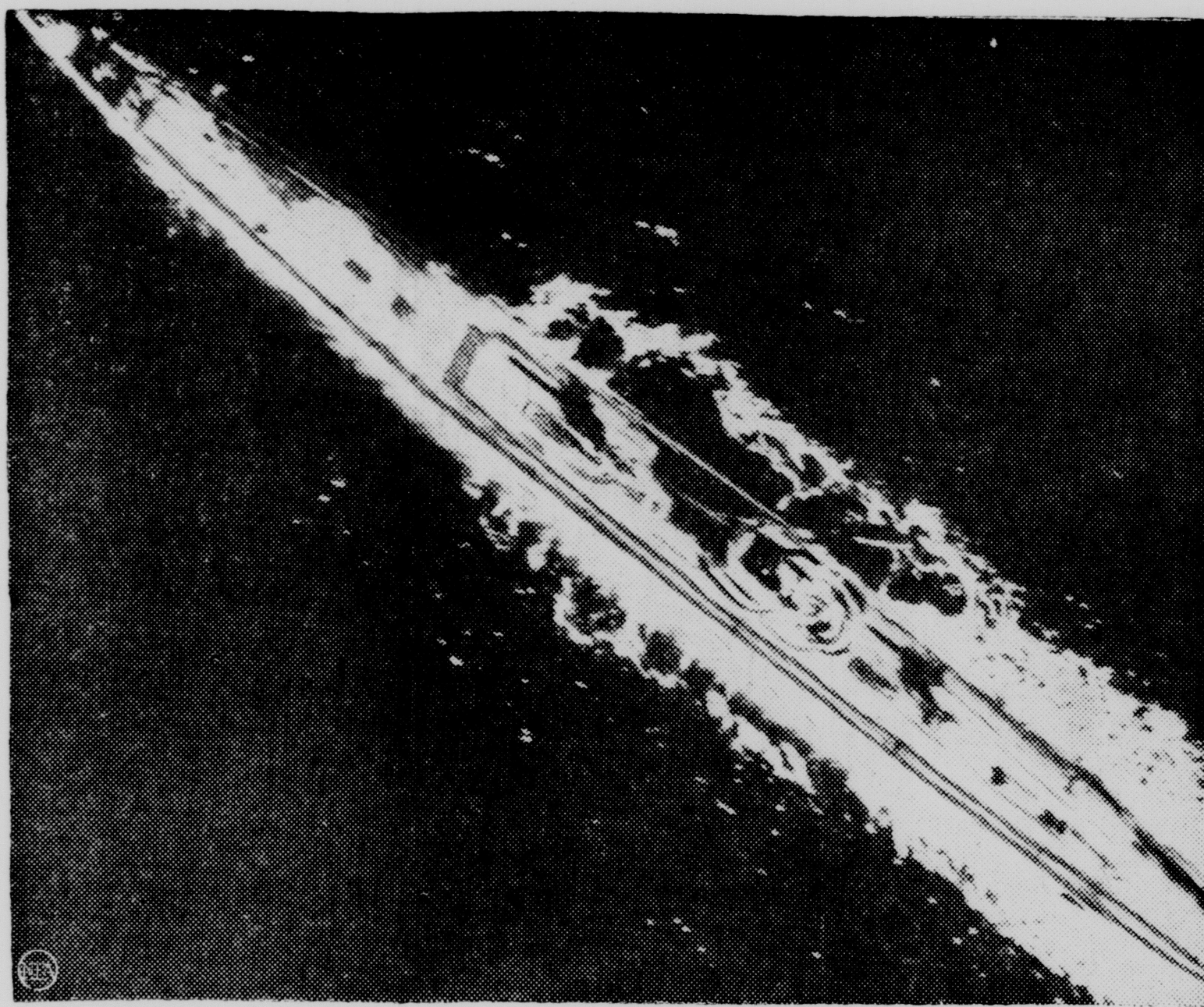
The \$6.50 check was issued to Forrest Poindexter, constable.

The case was prosecuted by Leo J. Harned, Pettis county prosecutor.

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Last Prowl In St. Lawrence Gulf For This Nazi Sub



A remarkably close air-view of a German submarine spotted from a Royal Canadian Air Force bomber as it prowled in the Gulf of St. Lawrence. A few seconds after this picture was taken, depth charges were dropped from the bomber and a "mile-long oil slick" resulted, indicating the fate of the sub. (Royal Canadian Air Force photo from NEA Telephoto)

Axis Powers To Put Up Hard Battle To Hold Tunisia

By WILLIAM T. PEACOCK

All the information trickling out of Tunisia indicates an allied expectation that the Germans will make a hard and bitter fight to hang on to their foothold there. Nevertheless, the possibility, scant as it may seem, cannot be ruled out that what is intended is only a sheltering operation for the escape of some of Rommel's remnants.

In considering such a possibility, it might be well to go back to the time when the British 8th army shattered Rommel's striking force at El Alamein and the Anglo-American army under General K. A. N. Anderson landed in West Africa.

The axis was confronted then with the necessity for choosing a course of action: To abandon the Afrika corps to eventual capture or destruction, to make a desperate effort to bolster its forces and hold on indefinitely somewhere in Africa, or to attempt the removal to Italy of Rommel's remaining army.

The first possible course may be thrown out, for troops were rushed to Tunisia. This action, however, could fit in with either of the other two possibilities.

A glance at the map makes clear that if any sizeable part of the Afrika corps is to be evacuated to Italy it must be through Tripoli or the ports of the Tunisian bridgehead.

Subject To Attack

From Tripoli to Sicily is over 300 miles. A convoy sailing from there would be subject to day-time attack from British planes, submarines and surface ships. Furthermore, the direct route is flanked by the British air and submarine base of Malta.

From Tunisia to the Sicilian ports is 80 to 90 miles, short enough to be covered by surface ships in one night under the protection darkness affords from attacks by air. Even before the allies moved into West Africa, axis ships leaving Tripoli would hug the coast to the tip of Tunisia, then dash for Sicily under cover of darkness.

It would appear then that any plan for saving part of the Afrika

corps would require holding the Tunisian coast line until it could be carried out.

There are, of course, obvious advantages for the axis in maintaining its hold in Tunisia as long as possible. The chief one is that it helps to keep the Mediterranean narrow between Tunisia and Sicily closed to allied shipping.

It was vital, too, to hold this bridgehead until troop dispositions could be made for defense against any allied thrust across the Mediterranean immediately after the landing in West Africa.

But it may be that the axis anticipates any prolonged effort to hold on in Tunisia would quickly develop in a loss situation for it. As the Japanese found in attempting to recapture Guadalcanal, the costs might outweigh the possible gains. Planes and submarines operating from Sicily could still make the mid-Mediterranean perilous for United Nations shipping once Tunisia was given up.

A clue to the axis' intentions regarding Tunisia may be found in how hard a fight is put up to hold Tripoli. If the Germans want to stay in Tunisia indefinitely, they will do their utmost to retain Tripoli and deny its port and air fields to General Montgomery's army.

Committees To Choose Nominees For Congress

HARRISONVILLE, Mo., Dec. 17.—(P)—The Democratic committee of the sixth congressional district will meet at Clinton December 23 to select a party nominee for congress in the special election January 12, Chairman Will H. Hargus said Wednesday night.

Republican committeemen are to meet in Osceola to select their nominee December 21. The congressional seat was vacated by the recent death of Rep. Bennett.

Bomber Crashes In Minnesota

ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 16.—(P)—Lieutenant H. W. Yount of the army air corps modification center at the St. Paul airport announced today a B-24 heavy bomber had crashed a few miles east of here, killing the three occupants.

Clumsy

KANSAS CITY—If you see a plane flying around without a lid, tell the pilot he can pick it up here.

A metal and plastic cockpit covering fell into an undertaker's yard, seconds after the roar of a plane was heard overhead.

Wounds Judge And Prisoner

SAVANNAH, Ga., Dec. 17.—(P)—Polignac Bourquin, 72, said by police to have been brooding over litigation involving his family estate Wednesday fired two shots from a double barreled shotgun in Chatham superior court, slightly wounding the judge and a prisoner.

Following the shooting, officers said, Deputy Sheriff C. R. Ridden left the court room to get his pistol and his gun was accidentally discharged in the corridor, wounding Edward F. Lyons, a juror in the lung.

Chief of Detectives John C. McCarthy said Bourquin apparently had carried a grievance for many years about litigation over the Bourquin estate. He quoted the aged man as saying he thought he saw one of the lawyers, "who did me dirt" years ago, in the court room today.

One shot grazed the cheek of Judge Clark Edwards of Elberton. McCarthy said Joe Hobbs, a prisoner about to be placed on trial on a minor charge, was wounded slightly in the head.

McCarthy said the shotgun was brought into court wrapped in paper. Bourquin was placed in the Chatham county jail.

Less Liquor In Canada

OTTAWA, Dec. 17.—(P)—Slashers in the amount of beer, wine and distilled liquors released for consumption in Canada and in their alcoholic content were ordered by Prime Minister W. L. Mackenzie King last night under the powers of the war measure act.

His order, detailed in a long-awaited temperance broadcast, also banned liquor and beer advertising in the dominion for the duration.

(It was not immediately made clear whether United States and other publications which carried such advertising would be barred from Canada but no such ban exists in Ontario and other Canadian provinces which already prohibit liquor advertising.)

King declared that his order was necessary for the total war effort.

He decreed an increase in beverage alcohol consumption since the beginning of the war which he said amounted to 60 per cent in beer, 25 per cent in wine and 37½ per cent in distilled liquors.

His order called for a reduction in distribution of beer by 10 per cent, wine by 20 per cent and spirituous liquors by 30 per cent.

In addition he ordered that distilled liquors be cut to not more than 30 per cent under proof, which would correspond to about 35 per cent alcohol similar to the U. S. 70 proof.)

King also asked that liquor dispensing stores confine their sales to an eight-hour period.

Victory Homemakers Met At Martensen Home

The Victory Homemakers met December 11 at the home of the president, Mrs. H. T. Martensen. The morning was spent in quilting. During the afternoon meet-

ing, there was an exchange of Christmas gifts.

One new member, Mrs. Will Otten, was taken into the club.

The next meeting, to be at the home of Mrs. Amos Oherke, will be on January 12, with Mrs. Rob Steele in charge of the program.



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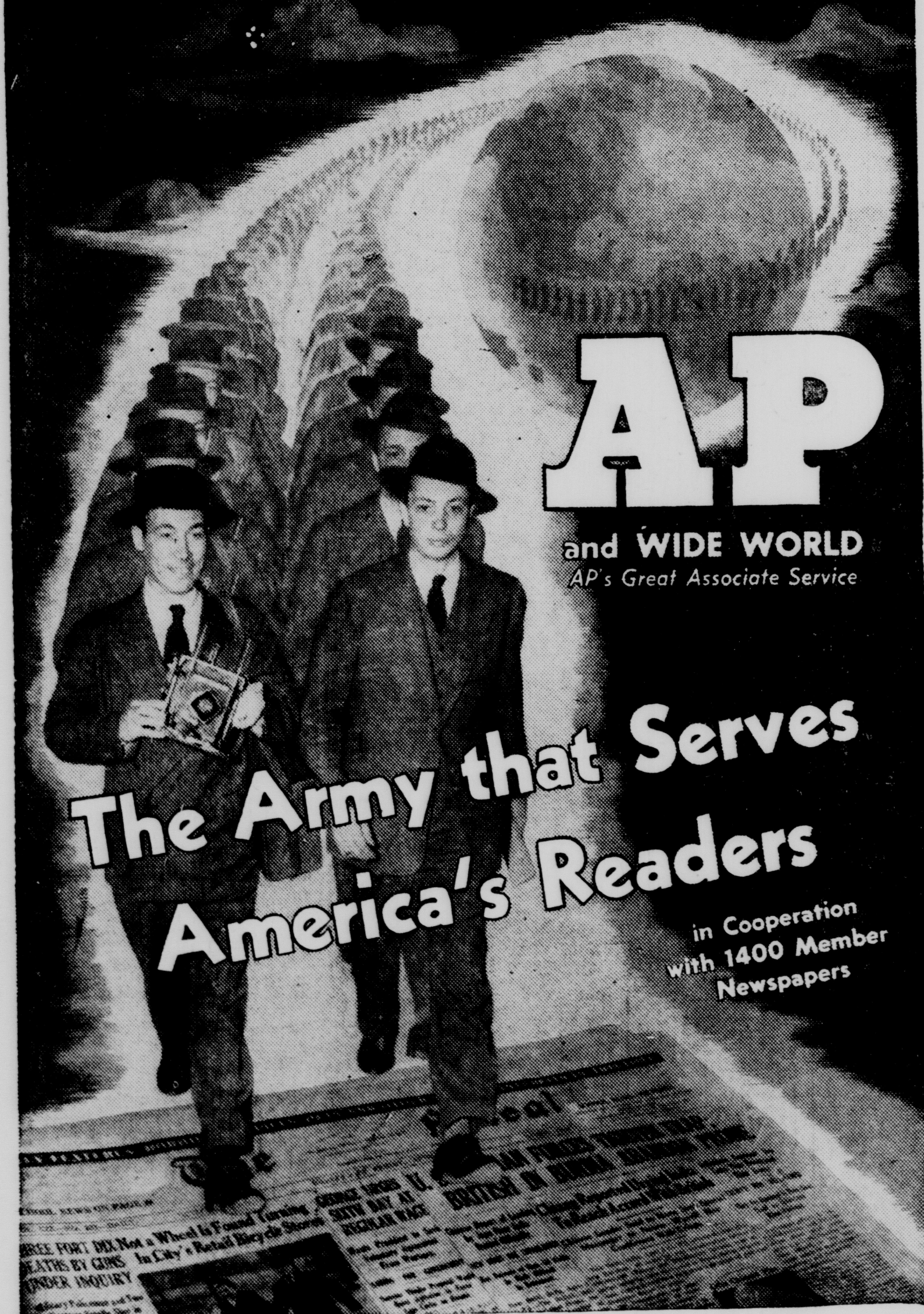
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Third Disastrous Boston Fire



Firemen battle the third disastrous fire in Boston, Mass., in a month as flames sweep through the 5-story Armory building in the heart of the downtown shopping district. More than 65 firemen and coast guardsmen were taken to hospitals. Officials said damages possibly would reach a million dollars. The building was stocked with Christmas clothing. (NEA Telephoto)



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